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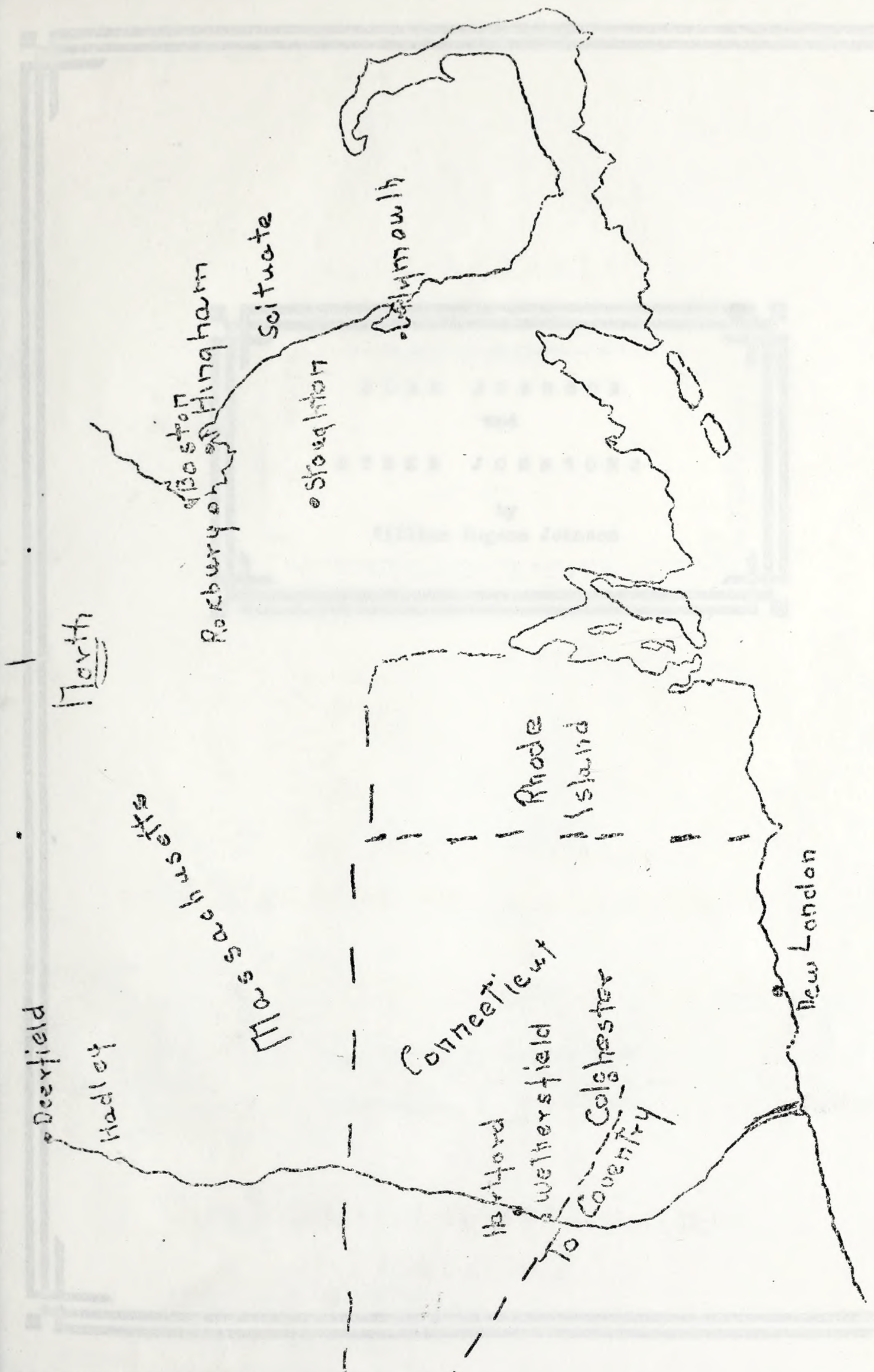




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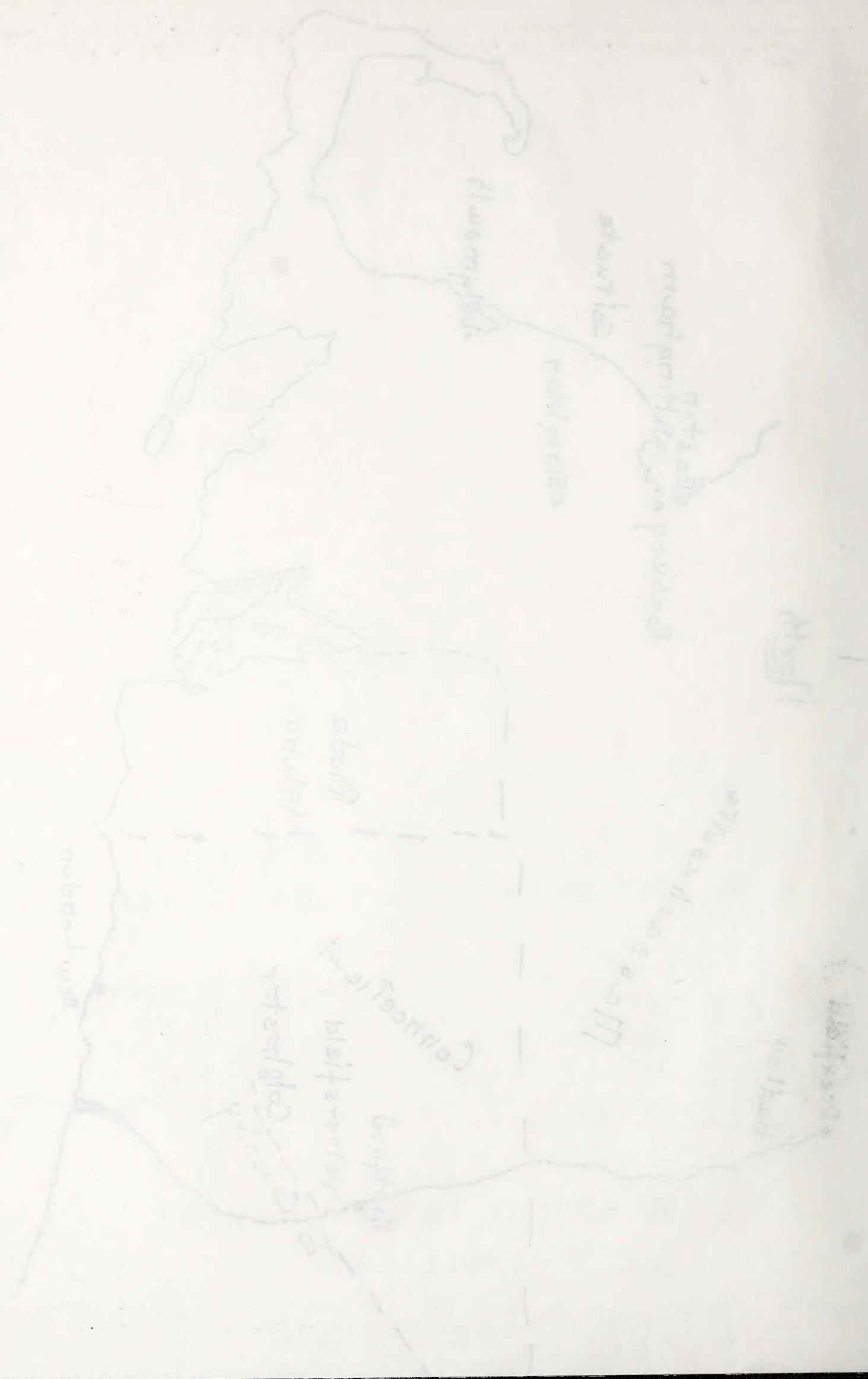






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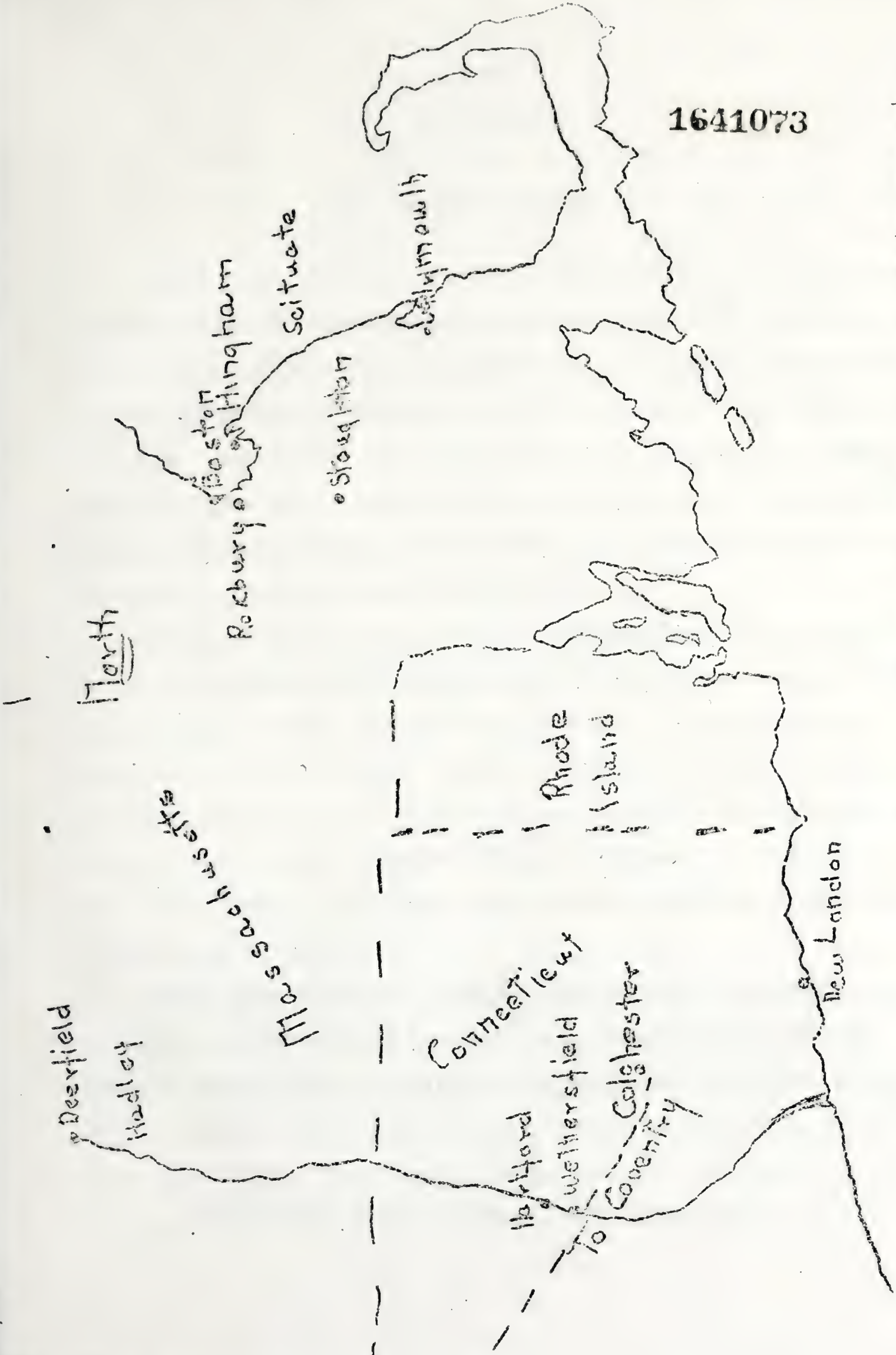
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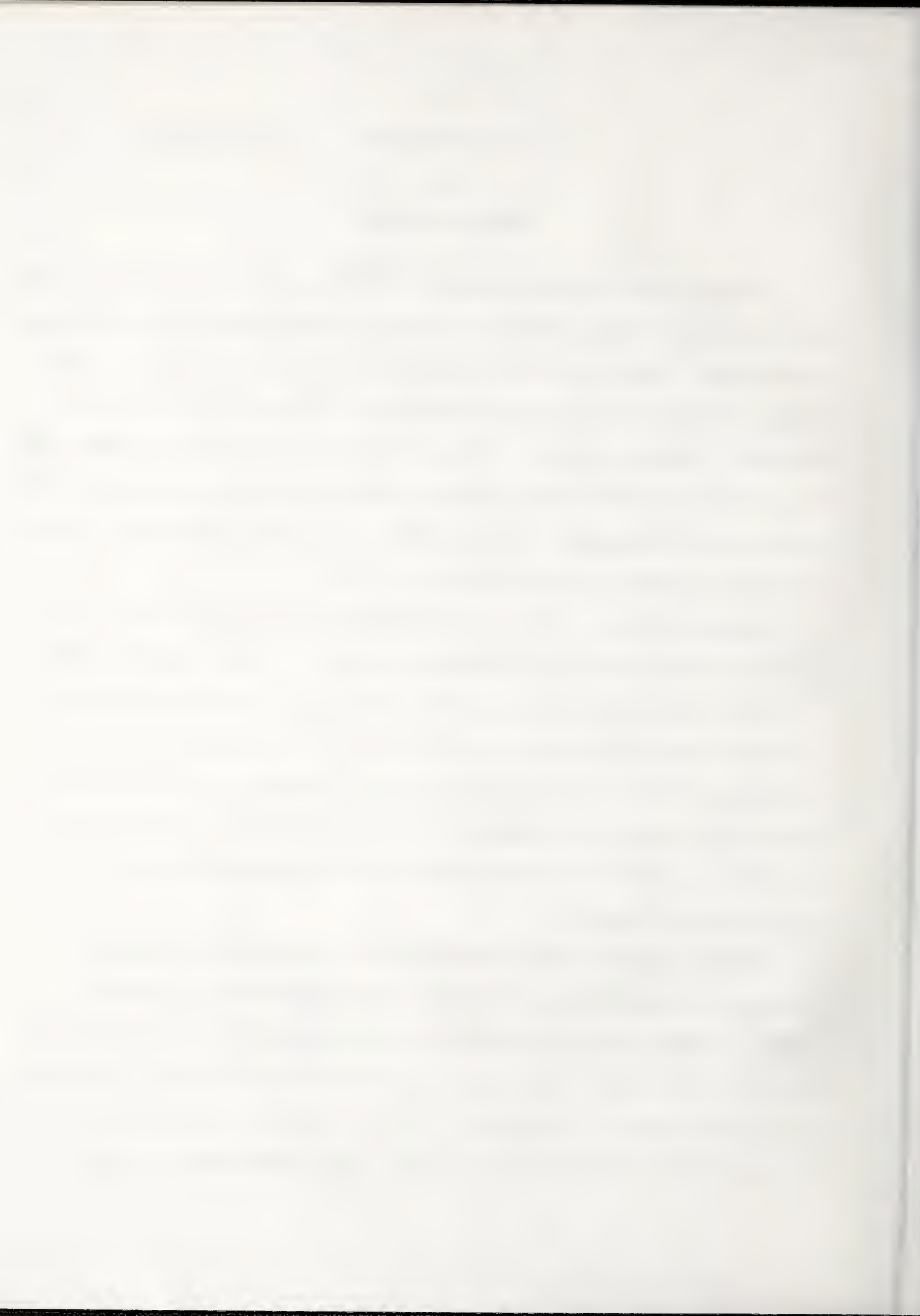
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OTHER JOHNSONS

During the sixteenth century, Europe was in the doldrums of various wars, to say nothing of boiling religious and racial controversies. This situation culminated in what is known as the "Great Emigration," made up chiefly of refugees from Europe to America. During the year 1630, seventeen shiploads of them came from northern and western Europe, bringing their wives, children, cattle and belongings. Between the years 1630 and 1640, twenty thousand arrived in Massachusetts alone.

These refugees were chiefly Puritans, hardened and embittered by religious persecutions and more or less bent on doing a little persecuting on their own account. Ten years before came the *Mayflower*, the forerunner of the great movement, emptying its wrath all along the coast farther to the southward. Whether the *Mayflower* landed first at Plymouth or Provincetown has been a matter of dispute that has not subsided after two centuries of argument.

While many of these refugees were actuated by religious motives, the commercial instinct was predominant in others. Such as these sought to harness the movement into channels of trade. Thus, with mixed motives, various colonization projects came into being. Chief among these was the Massachusetts Bay Colony, which under royal charter, took upon itself a legal



existence in England. An election of the stockholders was held, at which a governor and assistants (deputies) were chosen. At the first election, Matthew Cradock was chosen governor and among the "assistants" were Isaac Johnson and John Humphrey (sometimes spelled Humfry, Humphries, or Umphries). These adventurers came mostly from the eastern part of England--East Anglia--where the Puritan sentiment predominated. They were neighbors, relatives, and friends, closely bound together by religious as well as family ties. "Everybody knew everybody." But religion and traffic did not mix very well. Cradock could smell a pound note a long way off. He was accused of sharp practices and trouble followed. The upshot was that on Oct. 20, 1629, the company was reorganized. Cradock was ousted from the governorship and John Winthrop took his place. Johnson and Humphrey were retained as "assistants" (deputies). Besides applying a purge to Cradock, the reorganization was for the purpose of expediting the transfer of the government and colony to Massachusetts, thus making it more independent of English control.

Winthrop, Johnson, Humphrey, and Cradock were all men of wealth, Johnson being the strongest financially. From that time on, the Massachusetts Bay colony became a sort of family affair, dominated by these men and their immediate associates. Humphrey was especially interested in fishing. Stories of codfish along the Massachusetts coast commanded his enthusiastic attention.



Some of these reports were quite extraordinary. As early as 1498, Sebastian Cabot had reported that he encountered so many codfish that they "impeded the progress of his vessel." Cabot's lurid yarn is believed to have had something to do with inspiring Champlain's venture of colonization in 1603-4. Anyhow, Parson White and Humphrey engineered the Cape Ann Fishing Company which later on came to grief.

John Humphrey was a "gent of great merit for his services and affection for our country." He lived mostly in London though he had a house in Sandwich, County Kent. Furthermore, he was a son-in-law of Theophilus, the Fourth Earl of Lincoln, of the great Protestant family of that name. His wife Bridget, was a daughter of Viscount Say and Sele and one of those sisters was Lady Susan who became (1630) Humphrey's third wife, he having shortly before buried his second wife, Elizabeth Felham. Still another daughter, better known as Lady Arbella Fiennes, had married Isaac Johnson.

John Humphrey arrived in June 1, 1634. Because he did not come on the original fleet, he was superseded as deputy by Thomas Dudley, who later became governor. With Humphrey came his wife Susan, who was a daughter of the "illustrious" Thomas Clinton, 3d Earl of Lincoln. He brought a considerable family. Among his children were John, the eldest of the lot, Ann, Dorcas and Sarah. The latter three were baptized at Salem. Children born during their sojourn in Massachusetts were:



Theophilus, born Jan. 24, 1637

Thomas, born Aug. 26, 1638.

Joseph, born April 25, 1641.

Theophilus was so named in honor of his uncle, the Fourth Earl of Lincoln. Ann was (probably) married at Salem to William Palmer, and later on to the Rev. John Mayles. Two daughters were "destined to suffer the saddest fate of any in our early annals," recorded Winthrop (Vol. II, 45). John Humphrey Jr. lived at Scituate where he was baptized in the Second Church on May 8, 1653. Daughter Mary was baptized there on April 19, 1663. Margaret was baptized Feb. 26, 1641.

During his sojourn in Salem, John Humphrey (Sr.) was active in colonial affairs. He enlisted in the artillery company and eventually became the first Major General of the colony. Eventually he sailed back to London (Oct. 26, 1641), taking most of his family with him.

"Abraham beget Isaac." Isaac was a son of Abraham Johnson, "gentleman and Esq." who was born in North Luffingham on July 6, 1577, and died in July 1625. He was a profound scholar, proficient in Greek and Hebrew as well as in several modern languages. He was afflicted with a roaring temper, and when his son Isaac courted Lady Arbella, old Abraham went straight up in the air. The trouble was partly fiscal and partly family social traditions. The family owned large estates, some of which were in progress of settlement. Abraham not only forbade the proposed marriage, but declared that he would disinherit Isaac unless he would cancel



the project. It was horrifying to the father for his son to "marry above his degree," and Arbella was of higher social caste. Arbella's mother, the Countess of Lincoln approved of the match, but not Abraham. Further, when it came to disinheriting Isaac, the executor of the estates and the courts had some remarks to make in which the "gentleman and Esq." got the worst of the argument. Old Abraham sought to even things up by writing a lengthy account of the whole affair in which he lambasted all concerned with blistering epithets. He had been "misled by meddling, tattling women." Instead of obeying, Isaac pressed his courtship, eagerly pursuing till they had got a clandestine marriage, never daring to own or tell the father (Abraham) who married them." A clerk who had aided Isaac in the matter was a "lowd fellow" and "utterly worthless" and so on. Not a word did he have to say against Arbella. On the contrary, he was satisfied that there was "an inherent greatness or nobleness of blood in the lady which was not impartable or derivable to his son or any child he might have by her." In other words, Arbella was too good for his son Isaac. Anyhow, the marriage license was taken out on \* April 5, 1623. The age of each was given as 22 years. But neither Arbella nor the Countess would tell the old patriarch where and by whom they were married. That was the basis of Abraham's wrath about the "clandestine" wedding.

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\* COLONIAL PERIOD OF AMERICAN HISTORY by Charles Andrews, Yale University Press.



Winthrop was a lawyer, having matriculated at Trinity College (Cambridge), held public office and became the Lord of the Manor in 1604. On April 8, 1630, with a fleet of four vessels and upwards of a thousand adventurers, he sailed from Yarmouth on the great quest. They arrived at Salem on different dates about the middle of June. Isaac and Arbella had been so recently wedded that to them it was a sort of honeymoon trip. The newly wedded couple naturally took upon themselves the spotlight. The four ships of the fleet were the *Eagle*, the *Walbot*, the *Ambrace* and the *Sewel*. To add to the romance, the name of the *Eagle* was changed to the *Arbella*. Not only that, she was dubbed the "Admiral of the Fleet." While many went in a spirit of adventure, not so Arbella. She "left an earthly paradise in the family of an earl to encounter the sorrows of a wilderness for the pure worship of God."

This delicious episode of Isaac and Arbella, leaving their home of luxury to plunge into an unknown wilderness, peopled by savages, only to find a place where they could worship God after the manner of their desires, is a story that is never overlooked by the historians of the period, for Arbella died within a few weeks of their arrival. Isaac, who was one of that "company of men" who "sat down" and formed the First Church at Roxbury, followed her to the grave about a month later. Of Isaac, Winthrop wrote "he was a holy man and died in sweet peace." It was a dreary realization of the "sorrows of the wilderness." Eighty of the colonists died during the winter at Salem, as did two hundred



in the various settlements. Isaac revealed his faith in Winthrop by making him one of the executors of his will.\*

The actors of this drama, one after another, dropped out of the picture. Abraham Johnson, the irascible old patriarch who could read Greek and Hebrew with both hands tied behind his back, never again saw the son of his bowels. He went down into his grave with lamentations because his son, who was only a landed esquire, had married the daughter of an Earl.

The colonists on getting control of their land legs, lost no time in setting up taverns and churches. The dates of the organization of the churches correspond roughly with the founding of the settlements. The Pilgrims set up their first church in 1620 (at Plymouth or Provincetown). Salem followed in 1629. Boston, Dorchester and Watertown organized in 1630 and Roxbury in 1631.

John Humphrey, Matthew Cradock and the Rev. John White were professional promoters and for the most part worked together in their adventures. Cradock looked after their common interests in London while White operated in Massachusetts. Their projects were not always ethical. Scandals and questionable charges were laid at their door. Parson White, while he served as rector of the church of England at Dorchester, was keenly interested in dividends. It was cod fishing that commanded his major attention.

\* HISTORY OF NEW ENGLAND, by John Winthrop. From his original manuscripts, edited by James Savage, Vol. II.  
FOUNDING OF NEW ENGLAND, by James Truslow Adams.



One of his schemes was the promotion of the Cape Ann Fishing Company which soon went bad and became a "place of buried hopes."

Craddock owned a plantation which gained him more misery than profits.

In 1632 the Privy Council in London set up an influential committee of "investigation." The committee found plenty. The Bishop of London (Land), speaking for the committee declared that Humphrey and Craddock were a "couple of preposterous knaves." Craddock's plantation was a "center of disaffection." His servants were "an unruly lot," speaking "wickedly and boldly against the government." Some of these "unruly" folk got rather rude treatment. One of Craddock's "servants," Phillip Radcliffe, was "ordered whipped, to have both ears cut off, and fined forty shillings in addition." The reputation of White, however, appeared to suffer less than did that of Craddock and Humphrey. It turned out that Craddock, by clever manipulation owned the ship *Abella* and probably the entire fleet.\*

Humphrey's final disaster was his promotion of the Providence Island Company, organized for the purpose of founding a settlement on the Santa Catalina Island. He had been "unable to get on with Winthrop" and besides, his "financial and domestic affairs were in bad condition." He managed however to secure for himself the appointment as governor of the West Indies Puritan Settlements. He had sent out his son Henry Humphrey, an "adventurous and improvident youth" with men and equipment for establishing a plantation.

SPENCER. JOHN WHITE, FOUNDER OF MASSACHUSETTS, by Mrs. Rose Troup.



Early in 1631 went the principal expedition with 150 men and two ships. John Humphrey lived for some years at Salem where he had been duly appointed "Major General." Eventually he sailed back to London Oct. 26, 1641. Andrews gives the date of his death as 1681. The Rev. John White, the codfish person, lingered on and played such a part in the development of the colony that Mrs. Rose Troup wrote a book about him, "The Founder of Massachusetts." One by one the leaders of the colony slipped away, leaving John Winthrop to "carry on." So, John also, wrote a book.

Isaac and Arbella left no progeny and whether or not there is any blood relationship between the Johnson and Humphrey families is not certain. Apparently there was such a relationship through General John Humphrey. It is, however, certain enough that the memory of the families was kept green for generations through the practice by the House of Johnson and the House of Humphrey of bestowing on their offspring such family names as "Isaac" and "Humphrey" in honor of their family traditions. Other names were taken largely from the Old Testament. Abraham himself left a brood of half a dozen children by his second wife, but none, so far as ascertained, ever came to America. The Abraham Johnson line goes back to 1523 when Maurice Johnson, Esq. was a member of Parliament for Stamford. His son was Archdeacon Robert Johnson founder of the Oakham and Tppingham schools. 1685

His son was Abraham Johnson, born in 1577, father of Isaac



Johnson who married Lady Arbella viennese, leaving no issue. By Abraham's second wife the line of descendants runs thus:

Thomas Johnson.

Wm Johnson (sole heir).

William Johnson.

Wolsey Johnson.

Robert Augustus Johnson, brother of Lord Craven.

Lieut. General William Augustus Johnson who was living as late as 1854.

Aside from the John Johnson strain of Johnson blood, at least three other strains of Johnsons had their New England beginning. They were descendants of Solomon Johnson, Edward Johnson and William Johnson. The progeny of each of these contributed with high credit to the development of the colonies around Massachusetts Bay.

Like difficulties to those encountered in identifying the swarms of Johnsons and near Johnsons in the New England colonies, also appeared in the Virginia and the Barbadoes records. We have a list of the Johnsons who came from England to those sections, with their names and addresses during the years 1654 and 1655. In this list there are forty-two Johnsons, including ten John Johnsons. We also have a list, a sort of census of the inhabitants already living in Virginia at that period. On the list are fourteen Johnsons of whom six are John Johnsons.

Further, there were some "convicted rebels" and other malefactors arising from Monmouth's rebellion of 1695. One John Johnson was sent to the Barbadoes. Another John Johnson, fresh from the Dorchester jail was "disposed of" to John Hethersell as his "factor."



Johnsons appear to bob up everywhere. The first person executed at Hartford for witchcraft was a Johnson. Elizabeth Johnson Jr., Stephen Johnson and Rebecca Johnson were accused at Salem. Elizabeth was convicted and sentenced to be hanged but was pardoned by Governor Philip's proclamation.

Compensation was granted by order of "ye governor and Council" to victims of the craze, but the name of Elizabeth does not appear on the list of the petitioners "either accidentally or purposely because of her bad character." Elizabeth Johnson was a "daughter" of the Rev. Francis Dane, senior pastor of the church. Abigail Faulkner was convicted with Elizabeth but was released because she was pregnant.

Writers on these colonial affairs are often led astray as to the real character of the colonists. On the one hand we are told that these pioneers were of high religious and moral purpose who sought a haven where they could worship God according to the dictates of their consciences. That is the generally accepted story and it is correct with some limitations and explanations.

On the other hand, William Stoughton, in his "election sermon" in 1670 complained "if God sifted the whole nation that he might send choice grain over into this wilderness, it is clear from our records that a fair number of horse thieves, cheats, drunkards and libertines managed to elude the all-seeing eye."\*

\* Sibley, HARVARD GRADUATES, 1-207.



Even the Rev. John White poured out his indignation, denouncing some of these New England settlers as the "very scum of the earth."<sup>a</sup>

And John Winthrop had some caustic remarks to make. He wrote, "Even on board the Arbella there were notorious, lewd persons who got at the liquor while holy ones were feasting and praying."<sup>aa</sup>

The explanation of these apparently conflicting accounts is clear when understood. The emigration as a whole was chiefly of religious and moral, as well as commercial intent. Yet it also included an assortment of black sheep who were shipped out of the old country for the good of the country. Some were sent abroad by direction of some magistrate as punishment for crime. Others were helped out of the country as a convenient way of getting rid of them. Such scalawags quite commonly engaged in the lucrative traffic in intoxicants with the Indians, which was the prime cause of most of the trouble with the redskins, whereby the colonists were drenched in blood again and again.

<sup>a</sup> CALIFORNIA OF STATE PAPERS, Colonial, 1574-1600, p.155.  
<sup>aa</sup> LIFE AND LETTERS OF JOHN WINTHROP, 1-590.



# CELLAH IGE FROM CONNECTICUT FAMILY HISTORY

To a considerable extent, Connecticut was settled by emigrants from England who first came to Massachusetts and reached Connecticut later, lured there by accounts of the fertility of the great Connecticut river basin. For the most part, they originated around Royston, near Colchester and around Shalford, Essex. They transplanted to the new colony such ancestral names as Colchester and Wethersfield. The early records are sprinkled with such family names as Foote, Johnson, Ward, Chamberlain, Hunt and Beecher. Their activities were chiefly around Colchester, Bozrah, Wethersfield anditchfield. Besides geographical names, the settlers were addicted to the policy of bestowing on their progeny such Christian family-names as Isaac, Rebecca, David, John and Nathaniel, the latter being the most popular.

The earliest known of the Footes is Robert Foote of Royston, near Colchester, England. He was the grandfather of Nathaniel Foote, the "settler." He is identified by the fact that he bore such relationship.

His son, the second Robert Foote, was a man of property, hailing from Shalford. In 1603 he made a will providing for the poor of his native town, Wethersfield.

NATHANIEL FOOTE "the settler," the first of the line of four consecutive Nathaniel Footes, was born about 1593. He was married in England about 1615 to Elizabeth Dering, sister of John Deming,



one of the first settlers of Wethersfield. She was born about 1595. He died about 1644. His widow about 1646 married Thomas Welles, magistrate, afterwards governor of the colony.

NATHANIEL FOOTE 2nd. Born about 1620. Married 1646 to Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Smith. He died in 1655. She married, 2nd, William Gull of Wethersfield and Hatfield, Mass.

NATHANIEL FOOTE 3d. Born Jan. 10, 1647. Married 1672 to Margaret Bliss of Springfield, Mass. Resided at Hatfield but died at Wethersfield. Wife died at Colchester.

NATHANIEL FOOTE 4th. Born in 1682. Married Ann Clarke in 1711. She died in 1733. Nathaniel then married (2nd) in 1727 Mary, widow of Joseph Hancock. She died in 1765. He died in 1774. He was very influential in Colchester. Held all of the principal offices in succession. Was Colchester representative in the General Assembly twenty-three times.

This by no means exhausts the list of "Nathaniels."

NATHANIEL JOHNSON of Roxbury was born April 29, 1667.

NATHANIEL JOHNSON of Roxbury (2nd) son of the above. Born March 19, 1670.

NATHANIEL JOHNSON of Hingham. Baptized July 1666.

NATHANIEL JOHNSON of Roxbury. Baptized March 8, 1670.



One cannot read far into colonial history without colliding with distressing accounts of conflicts with the Indians, Indian massacres and white men's massacres. In these horrible affairs the white man competed with the Indians in savagery, even offering rewards for the scalps of Indian men, women and children, along with rewards for scalps of wolves. Indians were "heathen" and thus on the same basis as wild beasts. The Indian, like other aboriginal folk, had a strange infatuation for liquor, and the white man was not slow to take advantage of it. The Indian would be gotten drunk and become the victim of a crooked deal. Reprisals would follow and an Indian war would result. Practically every Indian war of history was caused by liquor, particularly the Pequot war of 1639 and King Philip's war of 1676. Some of these shady transactions on the part of the whites did not immediately result in bloodshed. A notable affair of this sort which involved our own family record is given because it is well for us to go into the Confessional and tell God about it.

In 1699, Nathaniel Foote (fifth generation of our Footes, born Jan. 10, 1647) got old Mohegan Chief Owaneco drunk and purchased from him all of the Mohegan Hunting Grounds, including Colchester and other lands. The land involved comprised three tracts, two of which embraced nearly all of the town of Salem, one of them eighteen square miles on the northern boundary of Lynn, and the other covering the whole of Colchester, more than forty square miles. The consideration for all of these lands was only five or six shillings.



The white population connived at the swindle as they were to share in the spoil.

But they struck a snag. Nicholas Hallam, Samuel Mason and Daniel Mason championed the cause of the Indians and Daniel was jailed in Colchester because of his activities. Hallam drew up a petition, enumerating the Indian's wrongs and presented it to Queen Anne. The immediate result was that on July 29, 1704 a commission was appointed to try the case. The commission was headed by Joseph Dudley, governor of Massachusetts and was given power to restore to the Indians their lands, subject to appeal to the Crown. The court was appointed for Stonington, and all interested were summoned to appear. The colony appointed a committee to defend the white man's case, a rather hard proposition.

The commission decided that the Indians had gotten a raw deal and that the colony and government should restore to the Indians all the land that they had held at the time of the death of Uncas. Furthermore, the colony was soaked for the court costs aggregating £57-13s-1d. The colony appealed from the decision and on Feb. 10, 1706, the Queen granted a commission of review but the commission was never used and so the decision stood. The redskins won out for once, but it took 22 years of fighting to get the matter straightened out.

The names of two women who left a deep impress on the history of Connecticut were Morushe Peete and Pexana Peete.



CHARLES FOOTE of the seventh generation of Footes (from Robert 1) was born No. 10, 1725. In October 1750 Jerusha married John Chamblain, member of the Fourth Regiment of Connecticut troops who took part in the siege of Boston. He died Aug. 25, 1795. Jerusha died April 10, 1782. They lived in Colchester.

JERUSHA FOOTE, ninth generation from Robert (1) was born March 2, 1755. On Feb. 25, 1779 she married Joseph Johnson of Colchester. He died Nov. 17, 1808 at Colchester. Jerusha died Jan. 21, 1831 at Coventry.

From Joseph and Jerusha, there came a long list of remarkable descendants spreading over New York and Connecticut, to say nothing of the far west, particularly Nebraska. Their achievements did much to atone for the dirty deal that Nathaniel (Fifth generation from Robert 1) tried to pull off at Colchester.

ELI (ELIES) FOOTE, born Oct. 30, 1747, married Roxana, daughter of General Andrew and Diana (Hubbard) Ward, at Guilford, Conn. Oct. 11, 1772. Eli was a son of Daniel Foote, a member of the State Constitutional Convention, and once wrote a treatise on "original sin" which was never published. One of Andrew's descendants was Col. Andrew Ward who was at the capture of Louisburg. He was a thrifty sort and sold his rum rations, purchasing silver spoons with the proceeds. Col. Ward had a son who served under George Washington and took part in the capture of Trenton.

On Sept. 17, 1779 Roxana Foote was married to the Rev. Lyman Beecher. Thus there came into being one of the most famous families



that America ever produced, headed by the Rev. Lyman Beecher and by his son the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. It was from the Wards that Henry Ward Beecher got his middle name.

In 1835 Hannah Beecher, a widow and midwife, came to Connecticut on the same ship with Andrew Ward, the progenitor of the Ward family. From Lyman Beecher's autobiography we learn that Hannah Beecher had a son Isaac who had a son Joseph who could lift a barrel of cider and drink from the bunghole. Joseph had a son Nathaniel who could lift a barrel of cider and carry it to the cart. He was a blacksmith six feet tall. Nathaniel Beecher had a son David, also a blacksmith, who could lift a barrel of cider and carry it to the cellar.

David Beecher had twelve children, having been married five times. To his third son was born the Rev. Lyman Beecher, at Litchfield. It was there that he preached his "Six Sermons on Temperance" which, in spite of his cider background, was accepted as the beginning of the anti-liquor reform in America. These sermons were published in book form and sent through five editions in one year. He became the founder of Oberlin College, was mobbed at Cincinnati because of his anti-slavery activities, and, for many years was president of Lane Theological Seminary. He died at the home of his son, Henry Ward Beecher, in Brooklyn, Jan. 10, 1863.

His son, Henry Ward Beecher, stands unchallenged as the greatest of American preachers. He was born at Litchfield June 24, 1813, the eighth child of Lyman Beecher. Seven of the eight children



became Congregational preachers, and another was Harriet Beecher Stowe, who achieved immortality as the author of Uncle Tom's Cabin.

THE FOOTE FAMILY, by Abram W. Foote, a two volume work aggregating 1352 pages and recording 7,882 families, was published by the A. W. Foote Company at Middleburg, Vt. in 1907. On June 5, 1907, there was formed the Foote Family Association which has held reunions at various times.

According to the family records, collected by Lt. Joshua Howes, quoted by Abram W. Foote, Sir Thomas Foote (sometimes spelled Foot or Fette) was sheriff of London, England, in 1643; Lord Mayor of London (1649), created Baronet (1660). He was a cousin of Nathaniel Foote, the "first settler" and third generation of Footes. He was born in England about 1586; married in England to Elizabeth Deming, sister of John Deming, one of the first settlers of Wethersfield, Conn. He died about 1644. His widow married Thomas Welles, magistrate, later governor of the colony.

ELI FOOTE b Oct. 30, 1747; married Roxana Ward.

CHARLES FOOTE b Nov. 10, 1733; married Jerusha Chamberlain Oct. 1750.

CHARLES FOOTE b June 5, 1753; married Sarah Day

JERUSHA FOOTE b March 2, 1755.

JERUSHA FOOTE, third child of Charles Foote, b at Colchester Nov. 30, 1785.

ELIAS FOOTE b Oct. 4, 1766; married Sally Tracy in March 1809. Sally was a daughter of Ezekiel Tracy of Otego. Lived at Franklin, N. Y.

JERUSHA JOHNSON b Oct. 1, 1728; d March 1741.



JUDGE ISAAC SCOTT b. at Colchester in 1738. Came to Cayuga, N. Y. in 1794. He was prominent in public affairs. He was justice of the peace and member of the Assembly. He was the first judge of Chenango County. He was a grandson of Nathaniel, 9th generation. (See supra)

As National and League the favorite name of the ruler of the Salween-Lotha tribes, just so Jarai became the most popular name of the founder of the species. The following is a list of the Jarai names that appear in the record:

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1790; d at London March 2, 1876;

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STANISLAW BOONED b. Oct. 20, 1900; married Doron Smith at Winston.

STANISLAW POLSKI b. Feb. 17, 1906, at Boston, Conn. Married  
Barbara Polish at Clevelant, N. Y.

1915; 1916; 1917; 1918; 1919; 1920; 1921; 1922; 1923; 1924; 1925; 1926; 1927; 1928; 1929; 1930; 1931; 1932; 1933; 1934; 1935; 1936; 1937; 1938; 1939; 1940; 1941; 1942; 1943; 1944; 1945; 1946; 1947; 1948; 1949; 1950; 1951; 1952; 1953; 1954; 1955; 1956; 1957; 1958; 1959; 1960; 1961; 1962; 1963; 1964; 1965; 1966; 1967; 1968; 1969; 1970; 1971; 1972; 1973; 1974; 1975; 1976; 1977; 1978; 1979; 1980; 1981; 1982; 1983; 1984; 1985; 1986; 1987; 1988; 1989; 1990; 1991; 1992; 1993; 1994; 1995; 1996; 1997; 1998; 1999; 2000; 2001; 2002; 2003; 2004; 2005; 2006; 2007; 2008; 2009; 2010; 2011; 2012; 2013; 2014; 2015; 2016; 2017; 2018; 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022; 2023; 2024; 2025; 2026; 2027; 2028; 2029; 2030; 2031; 2032; 2033; 2034; 2035; 2036; 2037; 2038; 2039; 2040; 2041; 2042; 2043; 2044; 2045; 2046; 2047; 2048; 2049; 2050; 2051; 2052; 2053; 2054; 2055; 2056; 2057; 2058; 2059; 2060; 2061; 2062; 2063; 2064; 2065; 2066; 2067; 2068; 2069; 2070; 2071; 2072; 2073; 2074; 2075; 2076; 2077; 2078; 2079; 2080; 2081; 2082; 2083; 2084; 2085; 2086; 2087; 2088; 2089; 2090; 2091; 2092; 2093; 2094; 2095; 2096; 2097; 2098; 2099; 2100; 2101; 2102; 2103; 2104; 2105; 2106; 2107; 2108; 2109; 2110; 2111; 2112; 2113; 2114; 2115; 2116; 2117; 2118; 2119; 2120; 2121; 2122; 2123; 2124; 2125; 2126; 2127; 2128; 2129; 2130; 2131; 2132; 2133; 2134; 2135; 2136; 2137; 2138; 2139; 2140; 2141; 2142; 2143; 2144; 2145; 2146; 2147; 2148; 2149; 2150; 2151; 2152; 2153; 2154; 2155; 2156; 2157; 2158; 2159; 2160; 2161; 2162; 2163; 2164; 2165; 2166; 2167; 2168; 2169; 2170; 2171; 2172; 2173; 2174; 2175; 2176; 2177; 2178; 2179; 2180; 2181; 2182; 2183; 2184; 2185; 2186; 2187; 2188; 2189; 2190; 2191; 2192; 2193; 2194; 2195; 2196; 2197; 2198; 2199; 2200; 2201; 2202; 2203; 2204; 2205; 2206; 2207; 2208; 2209; 2210; 2211; 2212; 2213; 2214; 2215; 2216; 2217; 2218; 2219; 2220; 2221; 2222; 2223; 2224; 2225; 2226; 2227; 2228; 2229; 2230; 2231; 2232; 2233; 2234; 2235; 2236; 2237; 2238; 2239; 2240; 2241; 2242; 2243; 2244; 2245; 2246; 2247; 2248; 2249; 2250; 2251; 2252; 2253; 2254; 2255; 2256; 2257; 2258; 2259; 2260; 2261; 2262; 2263; 2264; 2265; 2266; 2267; 2268; 2269; 2270; 2271; 2272; 2273; 2274; 2275; 2276; 2277; 2278; 2279; 2280; 2281; 2282; 2283; 2284; 2285; 2286; 2287; 2288; 2289; 2290; 2291; 2292; 2293; 2294; 2295; 2296; 2297; 2298; 2299; 2300; 2301; 2302; 2303; 2304; 2305; 2306; 2307; 2308; 2309; 2310; 2311; 2312; 2313; 2314; 2315; 2316; 2317; 2318; 2319; 2320; 2321; 2322; 2323; 2324; 2325; 2326; 2327; 2328; 2329; 2330; 2331; 2332; 2333; 2334; 2335; 2336; 2337; 2338; 2339; 2340; 2341; 2342; 2343; 2344; 2345; 2346; 2347; 2348; 2349; 2350; 2351; 2352; 2353; 2354; 2355; 2356; 2357; 2358; 2359; 2360; 2361; 2362; 2363; 2364; 2365; 2366; 2367; 2368; 2369; 2370; 2371; 2372; 2373; 2374; 2375; 2376; 2377; 2378; 2379; 2380; 2381; 2382; 2383; 2384; 2385; 2386; 2387; 2388; 2389; 2390; 2391; 2392; 2393; 2394; 2395; 2396; 2397; 2398; 2399; 2400; 2401; 2402; 2403; 2404; 2405; 2406; 2407; 2408; 2409; 2410; 2411; 2412; 2413; 2414; 2415; 2416; 2417; 2418; 2419; 2420; 2421; 2422; 2423; 2424; 2425; 2426; 2427; 2428; 2429; 2430; 2431; 2432; 2433; 2434; 2435; 2436; 2437; 2438; 2439; 2440; 2441; 2442; 2443; 2444; 2445; 2446; 2447; 2448; 2449; 2450; 2451; 2452; 2453; 2454; 2455; 2456; 2457; 2458; 2459; 2460; 2461; 2462; 2463; 2464; 2465; 2466; 2467; 2468; 2469; 2470; 2471; 2472; 2473; 2474; 2475; 2476; 2477; 2478; 2479; 2480; 2481; 2482; 2483; 2484; 2485; 2486; 2487; 2488; 2489; 2490; 2491; 2492; 2493; 2494; 2495; 2496; 2497; 2498; 2499; 2500; 2501; 2502; 2503; 2504; 2505; 2506; 2507; 2508; 2509; 2510; 2511; 2512; 2513; 2514; 2515; 2516; 2517; 2518; 2519; 2520; 2521; 2522; 2523; 2524; 2525; 2526; 2527; 2528; 2529; 2530; 2531; 2532; 2533; 2534; 2535; 2536; 2537; 2538; 2539; 2540; 2541; 2542; 2543; 2544; 2545; 2546; 2547; 2548; 2549; 2550; 2551; 2552; 2553; 2554; 2555; 2556; 2557; 2558; 2559; 2560; 2561; 2562; 2563; 2564; 2565; 2566; 2567; 2568; 2569; 2570; 2571; 2572; 2573; 2574; 2575; 2576; 2577; 2578; 2579; 2580; 2581; 2582; 2583; 2584; 2585; 2586; 2587; 2588; 2589; 2590; 2591; 2592; 2593; 2594; 2595; 2596; 25

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The Concurrence of Johnsons has been also prolific, particularly John Johnson. The late William Howard Johnson of Hartford, Conn. collected a vast amount of genealogical data on the family. In all, he gathered more than six thousand members of the family. He de-



posited manuscript copies of the result with the State Historical Library at Hartford. The following is a list of the John Johnsons in the orbit of our record. Many scores of John Johnsons, other than of our family strain, are omitted:

JOHN JOHNSON	b in England prior to 1630
JOHN JOHNSON	age 23; arrived in Mass. on the ELIZABETH in 1633
JOHN JOHNSON	age 26; came on the same ship
JOHN JOHNSON	a child; came in 1635
JOHN JOHNSON	another child arrived on the JAMES in 1635
JOHN JOHNSON	b Nov. 3, 1639
JOHN JOHNSON	baptized in 1632
JOHN JOHNSON	b at Hingham, 1653
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1630
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1712
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1647
JOHN JOHNSON	b about 1645
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1674
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1668
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1730
JOHN JOHNSON	b in 1750

The Humphrey as well as the Johnson families left behind them creditable records of service in the Revolutionary War, both civil and military. In 1689, the General Assembly of Connecticut authorized the compilation of the "Records of Service," Connecticut men who fought for the colonies during that struggle. This compilation, published by the state, showed that there were 106 Johnsons and 59 Humphreys who served as soldiers in that war.

The New England missionary spirit, also, was manifested in the activities of Dr. Marcus Palmer, Clarissa Johnson (q.v.) and Jerusha Johnson (q.v.) among the Cherokee Indians of Arkansas and what is now the state of Oklahoma.

The activities of these three were neither the beginning nor



the end of missionary work in our family. On April 4, 1820, the sailing ship Thaddeus, after a five months voyage around Cape Horn, arrived at Honolulu, bringing fourteen missionaries, seven males and seven females. They were the first Christian missionaries to arrive in that country. They were sent out from Boston by the Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions. That was the starting point of one of the most dramatic episodes in the history of missions anywhere.

Among these pioneers was Captain Daniel Chamberlain of Brookfield, Mass. with his wife Jerusha (Burnett) Chamberlain, and five children. Among these youngsters were Nancy, two years of age, Daniel Chamberlain Jr. and Dexter Chamberlain. When only seven years old, Daniel Jr. got a job teaching the king to read. Dexter became an inventor and perfected a machine for processing iron (1845) and later became one of the founders of the Republican party. Captain Daniel, in 1825, was obliged to return home because of ill health. He died at Auburndale, Mass.\* in 1884. His wife, Jerusha, who accompanied him, died at the age of 92. While the contact is not definite, it is presumed that Captain Chamberlain is from our New England strain of Johnsons and Chamberlains.

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\*UNDER HAWAIIAN SKIES, by Albert F. Taylor, Librarian of Archives, Honolulu.



## NOTE

"In 1630 a thousand people crossed to Massachusetts; among them a dozen or so "freemen", or stockholders of the company (The Massachusetts Bay Company) who set the government of the colony in motion by electing John Winthrop governor....."The governor was elected every year by the freemen of the company, and so were the assistants (originally a board of directors of the company). In 1634 the towns began to send "committees," or delegates, to the general court (originally the stockholders' meeting) and thus established a representative government, in which the assistants remained as an upper house. In practice this was not a very democratic system, since freemen had to be church members and hardly one adult male immigrant in eight was admitted as a freeman."

.....  
 Essentials in American History--Albert Bushnell Hart  
 .....

The town of Roxbury was incorporated into the city of Boston in 1867.



## TEN GENERATIONS OF JOHNSONS

1. JOHN JOHNSON

b in England ~~1645~~ With his family came from  
 d July 30, 1695 England in the Winthrop  
 fleet in 1630. With him  
 came sons Isaac and Hum-  
 phrey, daughters Mary, ~~Martha~~  
~~Margaret~~ and Elizabeth  
 (Eliza), and wife Margery.

2. HUMPHREY JOHNSON

b in England Known as Sergeant Johnson.  
 d July 24, 1693 Came to America with his  
 father. Lived most of  
 his life at Hingham, and  
 died there.

5. JOHN JOHNSON 2nd

b June 8, 1680 Born in Hingham; died at  
 d Aug. 7, 1755 Colchester. Married  
 Mary Ramsey at Roxbury.

4. WILLIAM JOHNSON

b Sept. 20, 1715 Born at Colchester  
 d Aug. 28, 1755 Married Sarah ????

5. JOSEPH JOHNSON

b June 17, 1750 Born at Colchester  
 d Nov. 17, 1808 Married Jerusha Foote

6. RALPH JOHNSON

b Feb. 9, 1791 Born at Colchester; died  
 d Nov. 10, 1882 at Coventry. Married  
 Elizabeth (Betsy) Hunt

7. WILLIAM AMASA JOHNSON

b Aug. 18, 1819 Born at Otego, N. Y.  
 d Jan. 8, 1903. Died at Smithville Flats.  
 Married Elizabeth Hannah  
 Stiles at Coventry

8. WILLIAM EUGENE JOHNSON

b March 25, 1862 Born at Coventry. Mar-  
 ried Lillie May Trevitt  
 on Dec. 25, 1886. She  
 died April 21, 1927. Mar-  
 ried (2nd) Mrs. Bessie  
 May Stanley.

9. CLARENCE TREVITT JOHNSON

b Jan. 31, 1888 Born at Lincoln, Nebr.  
 On Nov. 16, 1912 he mar-  
 ried Gladys Carolyn Brewer  
 of Baltimore.

10. CLARENCE TREVITT JOHNSON 2nd

b Dec. 10, 1920 Born at Riverside, Cal.



## THE COMRADE OF JOHN JOHNSON

A Chronicle of his Exploits and those of his  
Descendants

JOHN JOHNSON (1) b in England

d July 30, 1659

In this Winthrop fleet came a new actor, this time a "commoner", John Johnson. He was a well-to-do farmer from East Anglia, who was to play a leading part in the affairs of the Massachusetts Bay Colony for thirty years. With him came his wife, Margery, two sons, Isaac and Humphrey, plus three daughters, Mary, Martha, and Elizabeth. He was the first constable in Roxbury, Mass. Besides being a farmer, he was a politician, churchman, selectman, legislator, deputy in the General Court, tavern keeper, custodian of the colony's arms and ammunition for defense against the Indians, keeper of the town's records, and in modern parlance, might be called a "boss." For thirty years, nothing worth while was promoted in the colony that Johnson did not have something to do with. In all these years, he labored as a sort of right hand man to Governor Winthrop.

Margery died and was buried June 9, 1655. Later on John married Grace, the widow of Barnabas Fawer. On July 30, 1659 he died.

In 1651, a few months after his arrival, he was made a freeman and created a selectman the same year. "He was a very industrious and faithful man in his place", wrote one authority. He kept a tavern on Northbury Street where many public meetings were held. When the armed and intemperate was taken into custody the general



court ordered that the "arms" of her adherents be delivered to "Mr Goodman Johnson," the town of Roxbury being required to "take order for her custody" and "if any charge arise to be defrayed by her husband."

On May 3, 1632, he and Robert Cole were chosen to advise the governor at the next General Court. On May 14, 1634 he was a deputy from Roxbury to the first General Court of Delegates. In 1638 he was made a member of the artillery company. He was an original donor of the "free schools." For fourteen years he was a representative in the General Court. He was made "surveyor-general of all ye armies" and, as such was the custodian of the military stores for public defense. Town and land records were placed in his keeping.

Out of these responsibilities came an hour of trouble. Under date of Feb. 6, 1645, Winthrop tells the story:

"John Johnson, having built a fair house in the midst of the town, with divers barns and other outhouses, it fell on fire in the daytime, no man knowing by what occasion and there being in it seventeen barrels of the country's powder and many arms, all suddenly burst and blown up to the value of four or five hundred pounds, wherein a special providence of God appeared, for he being from home, the people came together to help and many were in the house, no man thinking of the powder till one of the company put them in mind of it, whereupon they all withdrew, and soon after the powder blew up and all about it, and shook the houses in Boston and Cambridge so as many men thought it had been an earthquake and carried great pieces of timber a good way off, and some rags and such light things saved Boston Meeting House from the house in the town, for this was a most northerly, otherwise it had endangered the greatest part of the town." \*



The Rev. Eliot, first pastor of the First Church, always ready to recognize special providence, recorded:

"Ye wind, at first to carry ye fire to other houses but suddenly turned it from all other houses only carrying it to ye other outhouses and bins thereby, and it was a fierce wind and thereby drove ye element from ye neighbors' houses which in calm time would by ye great heate have been set on fire."

Not only were the military supplies gathered for defense against the Indians in King Philips War destroyed but the first book of the town records, the school charter, and all land records went up in smoke. The destruction of the land records created the greater problem. After the fire the town appointed a committee of five, with Johnson as chairman, to "doe their best to endeavor to set down each man's land" which was no small undertaking. The record of the labors and decisions of the committee occupy many pages of reports and proceedings.

From Eliot's record of church membership at the time of organization (1639) we get the following:

John Johnson  
Margory Johnson, Wife of John Johnson  
Isaac Johnson  
 ..... Wife of Isaac Johnson  
Isaac Johnson

From the book, TOWN OF ROXBURY, A Report of the Record Commissioners containing the Roxbury Land Church Records, Second Edition (1884) Page 176, are found the following entries:

"1638 (Died)

"On the 4 day 6. Margory Johnson, Wife of Johnson

"1639 (Died)

"Month 7; day 30, John Johnson, Surveyor-General of all ye townes, d; and was buried ye day following.



HISTORY OF THE FIRST CHURCH OF ROXBURY, MASS., by W. D. Thwing.  
 RECORDS OF THE GOVERNING AND COLONY OF MASSACHUSETTS BAY, by  
 Nathaniel B. Shurtleff

During the year 1635 six more Johnsons arrived from England, but  
 nothing further is known of them. They were:

John Johnson, age 23, arrived on the Alizabeth, April 14, 1635  
John Johnson, age 26, came on the same vessel.  
Susan Johnson, age 24, came on the James in July 1635, bring-  
 ing one  
John (probably a child)  
John Johnson (probably a child) came with Susan on the James.  
Margaret Johnson, age 2, came on the James.

The children of John and Margery were:

Isaac Johnson  
Amelia Johnson  
Mary Johnson  
Maria Johnson  
Margaret Johnson

All born in England.



(Isaac Johnson)

ISAAC JOHNSON 2, (Captain) of Roxbury (John 1, Isaac 2) Eldest son  
of John.

b in England

d 1675

Came to Massachusetts with his father in Winthrop's fleet in 1630. Joined Eliot's church in the same year. Was made freeman March 4, 1635. He was one of the founders of the "free schoole". On July 30, 1636 he married Eliza (Elizabeth) Porter, who had previously united with the church. Bodge, SOLDIERS OF KING PHILLIP'S WAR, gives the date as Jan. 20, 1637.

In 1645 he enlisted in the Artillery Company. He was ensign of the "Rocksberry" military company previous to 1653. On June 13 of the same year he was elected captain. In 1671 he was chosen representative. In the Roster of Officers organized for the ill-fated Narraganset campaign we find the following:

Fourth Company, Isaac Johnson, Captain  
Phineas Upham, Lieutenant  
Henry Bowen, ensign

In 1675 he was killed leading the fight against the Narraganset stronghold. The narrative of this tragedy reads:

"On Oct. 6, 1675 a body of 52 praying Indians, Eliot's converts, marched from Mount Hope, under the intrepid Captain Johnson of Roxbury... with five other captains was killed while storming the Narraganset stronghold."

Different dates are given for this tragedy. One gives it as Dec. 10.

Another says Dec. 19. In the battle Lieutenant Upham was also killed, so the command of the company devolved upon Ensign Bowen, who was promoted to Lieutenant. In Captain Johnson's roster appears the name of Humphrey Johnson as one impressed.



But he was reported as "wanting", and so did not serve.

Children born of the marriage of Captain Johnson and Eliza

Porter were:

<u>Elizabeth</u>	b Dec. 24, 1637 d Aug. 13, 1683
<u>John</u>	b Nov. 3, 1639 d Dec. 16, 1661
<u>Mary</u>	b April 24, 1642
<u>Isaac</u>	baptized Jan. 7, 1644
<u>Joseph</u>	b Nov. 9, 1645; died soon
<u>Nathaniel</u>	b May 1, 1647 (Town Records) Church records say May 2.
<u>Mehitable</u>	baptized Jan. 27, 1646

On Dec. 20, 1657 the daughter Elizabeth (2nd) married Henry Bowen, who became Lieutenant on the death of Captain Johnson.

Children born of this marriage were:

<u>Henry</u>	b Oct. 16, 1659, baptized in 1675; buried in the old cemetery at Woodstock, Conn.
<u>Eliza</u>	baptized Jan. 27, 1661
<u>John</u>	baptized Sept. 7, 1662
<u>Margaret</u>	died soon
<u>Barth</u>	b Sept. 12, 1666
<u>Margaret, 2nd</u>	b Jan. 26, 1668
<u>Isaac</u>	b March 3, 1675
<u>Isaac</u>	b Feb. 12, 1676

On Dec. 17, 1663 the Captain's daughter Mary married William Bartholomew and removed to Branford, Conn.

The eldest son, Isaac, married Mary Harris and moved to Middletown, Conn.

The youngest son, Nathaniel, married Mary Smith in 1667 and later moved, probably to Marlborough.

In his will, dated March 8, 1673, probated Feb. 10, 1676, Captain Johnson provided for Eliza and four children surviving, with a double portion for the eldest Eliza.

Eliza, the widow of Captain Isaac, died Aug. 18, 1683. She is referred to in the church records as the "Old Sister."

Eliza, widow of Isaac 2nd, died April 20, 1701.



(Humphrey Johnson)

HUMPHREY (Sergeant) JOHNSON (John 1, Humphrey 2)

in England

July 24, 1603, at Hingham

He came to Massachusetts with his father in Winthrop's fleet in 1630. In 1645, he gave a deed to some property which is recorded in Suffolk County record which establishes his identity. He was twice married. On March 20, 1645, he married Ellen (Eleanor) Thoney who died in Hingham Sept. 28, 1678. On Dec. 6 of the same year he married Abigail May of Roxbury, daughter of Samuel and Abigail May of the same place. She died in 1693. They resided at Scituate, then at Liberty Plain, South Hingham, before removing to Hingham.

Humphrey had some trouble in 1673.\* The story reads:

"At Liberty Plain, Humphrey Johnson, who had been turned out of Scituate, got up a house which he had removed from that town but only on condition that he should remove it out of Hingham on short warning as he was a troublesome man."

Later he was admonished to "accept a fence quietly." In part, however, Humphrey atoned for his shortcomings by "serving his country in the conflict then going on," King Philip's War. He enlisted in the army and played a commendable part, having been commissioned a "sergeant." This restored him to favor.

RECORDS OF SCITUATE, by George Lincoln, published by the town.  
 From the record of the second church at Scituate we  
 find the enclosed records of baptisms:  
 "May 8, 1653 John & Son of Humphrey Johnson.  
 "Feb. 20/1654 Margaret, daughter of Humphrey  
 Johnson."



His son, Benjamin, was a blacksmith and later on, was proprietor of the Pine Tree Tavern.

Children born to Humphrey and Ellen were:

<u>Mehitable</u>	b Sept. 1644. Baptized March 29, 1646 (q.v.)
<u>Martina</u>	baptized Sept. 12, 1647. Married Obodiah Morse. (q.v.)
<u>Deborah</u>	died young
<u>John</u>	b in March, 1653. Drowned at Hingham June 12, 1674
<u>Joseph</u>	b Marc 27, 1655; died soon.
<u>Benjamin</u>	b Aug. 27, 1657
<u>Margaret</u>	b Dec. 1658. On Oct. 20, ?, she married Joseph Lovett (q.v.)
<u>Deborah (2nd)</u>	b in 1661. Died April 1, 1669
<u>Mary</u>	b in 1665
<u>Elizabeth</u>	b in July, 1666
<u>Isaac</u>	b Feb. 16, 1667-8
<u>Joseph</u>	died Sept. 6, 1676

Children born to Humphrey and Abigail were:

<u>John</u>	b June 8, 1680 (q.v.)
	d Aug. 7, 1755, at Colchester
<u>Deborah</u>	b Feb. 19, 1682; married Isaac Davis, Dec. 19, 1701

Savage (Dictionary) states that "a younger Humphrey was one of the soldiers drafted from Hingham in the Narraganset campaign, serving in the company of the "brave Captain Johnson of Roxbury," his uncle.



(Elizabeth Johnson)

ELIZABETH (ELIZA) JOHNSON 2 (John 1, Elizabeth 2)

b in England

d Jan. 5, 1684 or 1685

She came to Massachusetts with her father in 1630, with the Winthrop fleet. On March 14, 1642 or 1645, she married Robert Pepper of Roxbury. In his will John 1 made his sons Isaac and son-in-law Robert Pepper executors of his will which he executed three days before his death. Pepper was made freeman on May 10, 1645. On that day, he was "given leave to brew and sell penny beer." Robert, "an old Minister," as the church records called him, died the July following his wife's death.

Children born of Robert and Elizabeth were:

<u>Elizabeth Pepper</u>	baptized in March, 1644; died soon after.
<u>Elizabeth Pepper And</u>	b May 25, 1645; married John Everett
	May 15, 1662 d Jan. 5, 1685
<u>John Pepper</u>	b April 11, 1647
<u>Joseph Pepper</u>	b March 18, 1649
<u>Mary Pepper</u>	b April 27, 1651; married Samuel Everett
	of Dedham, Mass. Oct. 23, 1669
<u>Benjamin Pepper</u>	b May 16, 1653; died young.
<u>Robert Pepper</u>	b April 21, 1655
<u>Sarah Pepper</u>	b April 28, 1657; married John Mason
<u>Isaac Pepper</u>	b April 26, 1659
<u>Jacob Pepper</u>	b July 28, 1661

Jacob Pepper was killed in service under Wadsworth at Sudbury. He left one child Betula. Robert Pepper was taken captive by the Indians at Squabhead. Believed to have died in captivity. So two of Elizabeth's sons were killed in troubles with Indians.



(Mary Johnson)

MARY JOHNSON 2 (John 1, Mary 2) of Providence; eldest daughter of John 1.

b in England

d Jan. 1679

She came from England in Winthrop's fleet, in 1630. Married Roger Henry of Salem. Roger lived first at Plymouth, then at Salem from 1635 to 1640, when he moved to Providence. He arrived from England May 12, 1631. At Providence he was made a freeman in 1635. There he kept a tavern. Roger and his wife deeded to William Blake of Boston one sixth part of the estate of John Solmer (1). Roger died Jan 5, 1679.

Children born to Roger and Mary were:

<u>Roger Henry</u>	died young
<u>John Henry</u>	b in 1637
<u>Booth</u>	b in 1638
<u>Mary</u>	b in 1640
<u>Elizabeth</u>	b in 1643
<u>Nathaniel</u>	b in 1644
<u>John</u>	b about 1645
<u>Nathaniel</u>	b about 1646
<u>Joseph</u>	b in 1647
<u>Benjamin</u>	b in 1649
<u>Thomas</u>	b in 1652
<u>Harrah</u>	b in 1656



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(Martha Johnson)

MARTHA JOHNSON 2 (John 1, Martha 2) Daughter of John 1.

b in England

d Aug. 25, 1703

She came to Roxbury with her parents in the Winthrop fleet in 1630. Married William Parke of Roxbury. Savage Dictionary notes that she may have been a second wife or had been previously married as William Parke of Roxbury was married in 1641 to Martha Holgrave of Salem and she long outlived him. Parke was made freeman on May 12, 1631. He was an elder in Eliot's church. He died May 11, 1635. Twelve children were born between 1637 and 1639.



## (Nathaniel Johnson of Roxbury)

NATHANIEL JOHNSON of Roxbury 3 (John 1, Capt. Isaac 2, Nathaniel 3)

Made freeman in 1690.

On April 29, 1667 he married Mary Smith. Perhaps moved to Marlborough.

Children born to Nathaniel and Mary:

John	b April 29, 1668
Nathaniel	b March 19, 1670
Samuel	b Jan. 20, 1672
David	b Feb. 14, 1674
Elizabeth	b March 13, 1683



## (Isaac Johnson)

ISAAC JOHNSON 2nd of Middletown 3 (John 1, Isaac 2, Isaac 2nd 3)  
d in 1720.

Baptized in Eliot's church at Roxbury but later was dismissed to the church at Middletown where he made his home. On Dec. 26, 1669 he married Mary Harris.

Children born to this marriage were:

Isaac	b Dec. 19, 1670; married Margaret Miller in 1695
Daniel	b Oct. 8, 1672; married Abigail Leck
John	b Aug. 1, 1674; died Jan. 6, 1692
Joseph	b March 9, 1677; married Elizabeth Blake in 1698
Nathaniel	b Jan. 17, 1679; married Mary Blake in 1699
Miriam	b Dec. 19, 1681
William	b March 14, 1683; died young
Mary	b Jan. 13, 1687
Rebecca	b Oct. 29, 1692; died Oct. 31, the same year.

In his will Isaac mentioned his widow Mary who died Aug. 6, 1740. He further mentioned his sons Isaac, Daniel, Joseph and the heirs of Nathaniel (deceased), also the daughters Elizabeth and Mary, the widow of Blake. He left a good estate. Lands recorded to Isaac Johnson (Aug. 16, 1670) are found in the land records, Vol. I, page 73. See also Register, Vol. I, page 559.



## (Mehitable Johnson)

MEHITABLE JOHNSON 3 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Mehitable 3) Daughter of  
Sergeant Humphrey.

b. 1644

d. Aug. 4, 1689

She married (first), 1660, Samuel Hinsdale. Hinsdale was born about  
1641-2. He was killed Sept. 18, 1675, in the battle of Bloody Brook.  
He was a son of Robert and Ann (Woodward) Hinsdale of Dedham. They  
moved to Hadley, Mass. She married (second) John Root, and (third)  
Deacon John Coleman. She received a legacy from her Grandfather  
(John 1). Her son (probably grandson) Samuel Hinsdale, was called  
"cousin" by Martha Johnson Morse in her will. In Vol. IV of the  
Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association can be found an account of  
Mehitable in which she is described as a typical woman of the early  
pioneers of the colony.

The children of Samuel Hinsdale and Mehitable were: \*

<u>Mehitable Hinsdale</u>	b Oct. 18, 1663; married Sergeant Obediah Dickenson.
<u>Mary Hinsdale</u>	b July 22, 1665; married Deacon Thomas Sheldon
<u>Ann Hinsdale</u>	b Feb. 22, 1666-7; married Martin Kellog
<u>Sarah Hinsdale</u>	b at Hadley, Mass; married Samuel James
<u>Samuel Hinsdale</u>	married Susannah Rockwood, a tanner at Medfield and Sherborn, Mass.
<u>Reheman Hinsdale</u>	b in 1675; married Mary Rider
<u>John Hinsdale</u>	d in 1705



(Martha Johnson, 2nd)

MARTHA JOHNSON 2nd, 3 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Martha 3) daughter of  
Humphrey

Baptized Sept. 18, 1667 (Savage). Married March 27, 1665-6 to  
Obediah Morse (Records Medford, Mass.) Obediah was born in 1638;  
died at Sherborn, Mass. May 4, 1704. He was a son of Daniel and  
Abigail Morse. He was the first town clerk of Sherborn. Taught  
school at Sherborn in 1668. They had one child, Obediah, who died  
young. Martha Morse, widow of Obediah made her will Dec. 25, 1714,  
proved June 4, 1717. In this will she made, in part, these be-  
quests:

"to my cousin, Daniel Mansdale of Medford, son of Samuel  
Mansdale, deceased, whom my husband brought up, one of my  
cousins (Grandson of her sister Mokitabie)-----to my cousin  
Samuel -----to my cousin Experience Morse-----three  
daughters of my niece, to my cousin Martha Johnson-----  
(daughter of her brother Nathaniel Johnson of Middlesex Co.,  
Mass.)

Probate records, 14, 604-5



## (Benjamin Johnson)

BENJAMIN JOHNSON 3 of Hingham (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3)

b Aug. 27, 1657 at Scituate, Mass.

d March 26, 1707

Married at Hingham to Rebecca Hersey in 1683. He was a blacksmith. He was constable in 1691 and also in 1692. Selectman in 1684. For a time he was proprietor of the Pine Tree Tavern. His father, Humphrey, apparently made his home with Benjamin at this time.

Children born at Hingham were:

<u>Rebecca Johnson</u>	b June 28, 1684
	d Sept. 28, 1684
<u>Benjamin Johnson</u>	b July 15, 1685
	d March 21, 1693-4
<u>Joshua Johnson</u>	b Aug. 9, 1689
	d March 21, 1693-4
<u>Ruth Johnson</u>	b Jan. 10, 1692
	d March 8, 1713
<u>Sarah Johnson</u>	b Feb. 7, 1695; married Nathaniel Fearing, a widower
<u>Benjamin Johnson</u>	b June 3, 1696
<u>Mary Johnson</u>	b July 27, 1699; married Barnabas Seabury of Dix, on Oct. 11, 1722.
<u>Joshua Johnson</u>	b in 1702



(Margaret Johnson)

MARGARET JOHNSON 3 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Margaret 3) Daughter of Humphrey.

b Dec. 22, 1689, at Scituate

d June, 1739, aged 50 years

On Oct. 20, 1676 she married Josiah Leavitt of Hingham. Leavitt was born May, 1653. He was a son of John and Sarah Leavitt. He died Sept. 14, 1703. He was a cooper and farmer.

The children of Josiah and Margaret Johnson Leavitt were:

<u>Josiah Leavitt</u>	b July 28, 1679
<u>Joseph Leavitt</u>	b July 23, 1681
<u>Margaret Leavitt</u>	b Oct. 20, 1683
<u>John Leavitt</u>	b Aug. 21, 1685
<u>Josiah Leavitt</u>	b Aug. 1, 1687
<u>David Leavitt</u>	b Aug. 16, 1691
<u>Asap Leavitt</u>	b July 21, 1695
<u>Ezekiah Leavitt</u>	b Sept. 17, 1697
<u>Mary Leavitt</u>	b Oct. 7, 1699



## (John Johnson 2nd)

JOHN JOHNSON 2nd, 3 (John 1, Humphrey 2, John 3)

June 8, 1680, at Hingham, Mass.

Aug. 7, 1755, at Colchester, Conn.

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In 1693, after the death of his father, John went with his mother, to live at Roxbury. In that year he joined Elliot's church. On May 26, 1702 he married Mary Ramsey at Roxbury. He moved to Colchester, Conn. about 1712, probably with Isaac Davis, who had married John's sister, Deborah Johnson. A conveyance of land to John Johnson of Colchester in 1735 stated that he was formerly of Roxbury, Mass. On Dec. 31, 1712, shortly after his arrival in Colchester, he was elected surveyor at the town meeting. On Dec. 22, 1715, he was again sworn into the same office. At the town meeting held Jan. 3, 1716-17, he was "excepted and admitted Inhabitation on condition that he (they) now declaring that they do not neither will not hereafter claime any right to the undivided lands in Colchester neither to the stated Commons" (Trainter, p. 16)

On Dec. 22, 1718, the town meeting elected John Johnson as one of the seven "way wardens." On Dec. 13, 1725, he was elected to the "Choole" (school) Committee. On Dec. 16, 1719, he was elected "fence viewer." On Dec. 27, 1720 he was chosen at the town meeting as "grand jurymen." On Dec. 21, 1721 the town meeting elected him as one of the "auxoners of highwaie." On Dec. 10, 1722 the town meeting chose him as the "collector." At the Dec. town meeting



1723, he was again chosen as one of the fence viewers. On the Monday after Dec. 13, 1725, at an adjourned town meeting, he was chosen to serve on a committee to settle a swamp land dispute. At the regular town meeting, he was elected one of the surveyors. At the town meeting Dec. 11, 1727, he was elected as one of the grand jurymen. At the town meeting Dec. 23, he was again elected fence viewer.

Of the children born to John Johnson and Mary (Ransey) Johnson, the following were recorded at Roxbury:

<u>Mary Johnson</u>	b May 1, 1703; married Noah Smith of Sheffield
<u>Susannah (Susan) Johnson</u>	b June 9, 1706; married Jeremiah Jonathan Smith, of Sheffield.
<u>Rumice Johnson</u>	b July 13, 1708; died in infancy.
<u>Rumice Johnson</u> (died)	b Feb. 12, 1709; married (probably) to John Chamberlain of Colchester (or Dalton).

The children recorded at Colchester were:

<u>John Johnson</u>	b Jan. 16, 1712-13; married Anstis Newton, daughter of Israel and Hannah Newton (Jan. 6, 1737).
<u>David Johnson</u>	b Feb. 10, 1715. Married Rebecca Foote, Oct. 24, 1736
<u>Elijah Johnson</u>	b Sept. 20, 1718; (q.v.) d Aug. 28, 1755
<u>Elizabeth Johnson</u>	b Feb. 17, 1720-21
<u>Eliska Johnson</u>	b July 16, 1724; married Elizabeth Hopson, daughter of Captain John Hopson. Hopson died Aug. 6, 1751. On Oct. 17, 1755 letters of administration on the estate of Elijah were granted to his son (John Johnson Jr.) and to Sarah Johnson. (Extracts from the Records of Colchester, Taintor, p. 102) (q.v.)



(Nathaniel Johnson)

NATHANIEL JOHNSON 4 of Hingham (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3,  
Nathaniel 4)

Baptized July, 1668

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Married to one Abigail. Likely moved to Hingham prior to 1700.

Children born at Hingham were:

<u>Joseph</u>	b Sept. 9, 1685
<u>Abigail</u>	b April 12, 1688-89
<u>Mary</u>	b March 1691
<u>Jonathan</u>	b March 1692



(David Johnson)

DAVID JOHNSON 4 (John 1, Humphrey 2, John 2nd of Colchester 3,  
David 4). Brother of Elijah.

b Feb. 10, 1715-6

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Married Rebecca Foots, Oct. 24, 1736.

The children of this marriage were:

<u>Elijah Johnson</u>	b May 22, 1737
<u>David Johnson, Jr.</u>	b Sept. 24, 1738
<u>Amos Johnson</u>	b May 24, 1741
<u>Noah Johnson</u>	b Feb. 24, 1745
<u>Lucy Johnson</u>	b April 26, 1747; married Reuben Clark, Oct. 2, 1768
<u>Charles Johnson</u>	b April 8, 1750



(John Johnson Jr.)

JOHN JOHNSON Jr. of Colchester 4 (John 1, Humphrey 2, John 3, John Jr. 4)

b Jan. 16, 1712 or 1713, in Colchester

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On Jan. 6, 1737 he married Anstis Newton, the daughter of Israel Newton. Israel Newton held many offices of trust at Colchester.\* He was deputy to the General Court for Colchester at various times from Oct. 10, 1728 to March 14, 1744-5.\*\* On Feb. 28, 1744 he was appointed "Mayor" for the forces ordered to be sent from this government on the expedition against Cape Sreten. He was Captain of the first company to train at Colchester.

On June 19, 1745, news came that the forces had been defeated with a loss of 170 men. Major Newton was among those who fell from disease.\*\*\*

The children born to Major Israel and Hannah Newton were:

Israel Newton  
Asahel Newton  
Anstis Newton

b March 1, 1719; married John Johnson  
Jan. 6, 1737

Mary Newton  
Hannah Newton

b March 1, 1719; married John Kellogg  
b June 28, 1712; married Stephen Beck-  
with

Abigail Newton  
Miriam Newton

b Oct. 17, 1728  
b in 1730; unmarried

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\* RECORDS pp. 11, 13, 18, 21, 26, 34.

\*\* COLONIAL RECORDS OF CONN. Vols. VII, VIII, IX.

\*\*\* CALKINS, HISTORY OF NEW LONDON p. 392



(Isaac Johnson)

ISAAC JOHNSON of Hingham 5 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Nathaniel 3,  
Nathaniel 4, Isaac 5)

b Feb. 19, 1667-68, in Hingham

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May have removed about 1703. His wife's name was Abigail.

Children:

<u>Abigail</u>	b April 28, 1689
<u>David</u>	b Oct. 16, 1692
<u>Hannah</u>	b Jan. 17, 1694
<u>Solomon</u>	b March 9, 1696
<u>Daniel</u>	b April 30, 1700



(Nathaniel Johnson)

NATHANIEL JOHNSON 6 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3, Nathaniel 4,  
Nathaniel 5, Nathaniel 6). Son of Nathaniel  
5 of Foxbury

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Baptized March 8, 1660. Record of his marriage is not available.

The record of his children is:

<u>John</u>	b April 1668; baptized Jan. 21, 1668-9
<u>Mary</u>	b Feb. 14, 1673; baptized Dec. 15, 1673
<u>Isaac</u>	baptized Feb. 2, 1676
<u>Rebecca</u>	baptized April 27, 1680
<u>Annan</u>	baptized Jan. 18, 1683



## (Benjamin Johnson)

BENJAMIN JOHNSON of Stoughton 6 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3,  
Nathaniel 4, Isaac 5, Benjamin 6)

b June 3, 1686 in Hingham

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Married to Ruth Paul Feb. 7, 1719-20. This family moved to Stoughton Mass.

Children born at Hingham were:

Calph	b March 25, 1722-23
Isaac	b May 4, 1725
DEBORAH	Bapt. Jan. June 17, 1733; died Jan. following.
JOSEPH (2nd)	Baptized Aug. 17, 1735; died soon.



(Joshua Johnson)

JOSHUA JOHNSON of Stoughton 7 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3,  
Nathaniel 4, Isaac 5, Benjamin 6,  
Joshua 7)

b. about 1702, at Milford

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Married April 29, 1730 to Mrs. Lydia (Ward) Lincoln. Joshua was  
a carpenter. This family moved to Stoughton.

Children born of this marriage were:

John	b. Jan. 13, 1730-31
Benjamin	b. Oct. 15, 1732
Isaac	b. Jan. 31, 1734-5



(Samuel Johnson)

SAMUEL JOHNSON of Hingham: 1 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3,  
 Hezekiah 4, Isaac 5, Benjamin 6, Joshua 7,  
 Samuel 8)

He was one of Captain Gallup's company operating against the Indians  
 in 1690. On Feb. 13, 1744, he married Hannah Lane.

From of this marriage were:

<u>Hannah</u>	b Jan. 15, 1745-6. On Nov. 25, 1790 she married Oliver Fell
<u>Anna</u>	b April 3, 1748; died Feb. 15, 1751-2
<u>Elizabeth</u>	b Jan. 21, 1749-50
<u>Ursula (2nd)</u>	b Dec. 5, 1752; died April 6, 1754
<u>Isaac</u>	b Dec. 10, 1754; died Dec. 8, 1757
<u>Joseph</u>	b Oct. 22, 1756
<u>Robert</u>	(Child of Isaac and Ursula) baptized June 13, 1760



(John Johnson)

JOHN JOHNSON 2nd, of Hingham 10 (John 1, Humphrey 2, Benjamin 3,  
Nathaniel 4, Isaac 5, Benjamin 6, Joshua 7,  
Samuel 8, John 9, John 10)

Married at Hingham March 8, 1749 to Mary Cushing.

None of his marriages were

John	b Oct. 17, 1750
Mary	b Aug. 3, 1752
Samuel	b Jan. 21, 1754



## (William Edward Johnson)

WILLIAM EDWARD JOHNSON 9. (John 1, Captain Isaac, 2, Isaac 3, Daniel 4, Caleb 5, James 6, Joel 7, Miles M., 8, William Edward 9)

Married 10, 1867, at Canterbury, Conn.

Married 1897

... engineer by profession. Educated at Lehigh University. Employed by the Board of Water Commissioners of Hartford, Conn. He married in Aven, Conn., April 7, 1872, Florence May Alford (born Jan. 17, 1851). She was a daughter of Franklin Mills and Mary Ruth (Mills) of Aven.

The children born of this marriage were:

Edith Alice Johnson	June 13, 1895, at Bloomfield, Conn.
Robert Edward Johnson	Dec. following
William Edward Johnson	Oct. 18, 1894, at Bloomfield, Conn.
Charles William Johnson	Feb. 1897, at West Hartford, Conn.
Robert John Johnson	April 10, 1899, at West Hartford, Conn. Graduated from Smith College, Class of 1922
Giles Edgar Johnson	Nov. 29, 1901, at West Hartford, Conn.



(NOTE)

(To avoid confusion and needlessly encumbering the record, it is deemed best to begin the record with John Johnson 3, John 1, if water 2, and start anew with Elijah Johnson, and son of John 3, and treat his entry as the beginning of a new series).

(Elijah Johnson)

ELIJAH JOHNSON 1, the son of John Johnson

1 Sept. 20, 1718; at Colchester

d Aug. 28, 1766; at Colchester

He married Sarah ???, who later married Waters ( or Watrous). On Feb. 7, 1800 Sarah Waters of Colchester petitioned the probate court for her rights of dower in the estate of Elijah Johnson. On April 20, 1800, there was distributed to her, in part, 16 acres of land of the First Society of Colchester, also kitchen and bedroom in the southwest corner of the house on the above land, reserving to the heirs of Joseph Johnson the privilege to bake in the kitchen (probate Court Records, in the State Library at Hartford). In 1759 a guardian was appointed for the following Johnson minors:

Lucy  
Catherine  
Joseph  
Gideon  
Elijah

The following items are from the Records of the first Church of Colchester:

<u>Catherine</u>	Baptized Sept. 14, 1746. Married Jan. 4, 1767 to Obed Alvord.
<u>Joseph</u>	Born 1750; baptized the same year



Garden  
Ellen  
Lucy

Baptized 1762

Son of widow Sarah Johnson; baptized Jan. 4, 1766  
Baptized March 13, 1748. Married Oct. 13, 1769  
to Eben Clark. He made his will Oct. 24, 1771,  
probated Jan. 7, 1772. In this will he left all  
of his estate to his wife Lucy, naming Lucy Clark  
and John Chamberlain as executors.



(Elisha Johnson)

ELISHA JOHNSON 4 (John 1, Humphrey 2, John Jr. 3, Elisha 4). Younger brother of Elijah.

July 16, 1724, in Colchester.

Married Elizabeth Hopson, daughter of Capt. John Hopson, May 23, 1753. Capt. Hopson died Aug. 6, 1751, in his 44th year.\* After the death of Capt. Hopson his widow married Henry Bliss of Lebanon. She died Oct. 3, 1761. They had one daughter, Lydia.

On Oct. 7, 1755 letters of administration were granted to his son and also to Sarah Johnson on the estate of Elijah who was born Sept. 20, 1718. Capt. Hopson's estate was divided between his wife Lydia and his son John. John Hopson and Lydia Kellogg were married May 23, 1750. Of this marriage was born Elizabeth Feb. 17, 1723-24.

Elijah Johnson died Aug. 23, 1755, in his 38th year.



(Catherine Johnson)

CATHERINE JOHNSON 2 (Elijah 1, Catherine 2) Daughter of Elijah.

b Aug. 1, 1744 at Colchester

Baptized Sept. 14, 1746.

On Jan. 4, 1767 she married Obed. Alvord of Colchester, a son of  
 Asahel and Rachel (Gould) Alvord.

Children born of this marriage were:

<u>Alexander Alvord</u>	b Aug. 6, 1767.
<u>Elijah Alvord</u>	b June 12, 1770.
<u>Rachel Alvord</u>	b Nov. 19, 1772.
<u>Sarah Alvord</u>	b May 23, 1775.
<u>Manice Alvord</u>	b March 15, 1778.
<u>Lucy Alvord</u>	b May 15, 1780.
<u>Obed Alvord</u>	b Sept. 21, 1782.
<u>Elisha Alvord</u>	b April 5, 1785.
<u>Lydia Alvord</u>	b June 3, 1788.
<u>Senor (Senour) Alvord</u>	b April 7, 1793; d May 12, following.



(Gardon Johnson)

WILSON JOHNSON 1st, 2 (Eliza 1, Gardon 2)

Jan. 1, 1712; at Colchester; Baptized (First Church) 1712

Oct. 21, 1736.

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From the death of Eliza, the widow, Sarah married ??? of Colchester. On Feb. 1, 1739 (?) Sarah petitioned the probate court for rights of dower in the estate of her husband. Gardon was one of five minors for whom a guardian was appointed in 1739.



## (Joseph Johnson)

JOSEPH JOHNSON 2 (Elisha 1, Joseph 2)

b June 17, 1750 at Colchester; baptized the same year.

d Nov. 17, 1808. between Colchester and New London

In the Revolutionary War he enlisted in Captain Webb's Company, 4th Conn. Regiment, commanded by Col. John Durkee. His enlistment was for three years (March 1, 1777). He was appointed corporal March 1, 1778, and discharged March 1, 1780.

On Feb. 25, 1779 he married Jerusha Foote (One family bible gives the date as Feb. 5, 1778). She was the daughter of Charles and Jerusha (Chamberlain) Foote of Colchester. Before their marriage, Joseph lived with his future father-in-law, who was quite wealthy. Joseph's name appears on the "list of polls" etc. for the First Society (Colchester for 1787. After the death of Joseph his widow (Jerusha) went to live with her son Ralph (q.v.) at Coventry where she died of small pox Jan. 21, 1831.

Children born to Joseph and Jerusha were:

<u>Dennis Johnson</u>	b June 17, 1779; married Joseph Cutler at Lisbon Oct. 20, 1803 d July 11, 1856; buried at So. Manchester Conn. (q.v.)
<u>Elisha Johnson</u>	b Dec. 6, 1780 (q.v.)
<u>Charles Johnson</u>	b Nov. 3, 1782 d Oct. 21, 1786
<u>Clarissa Johnson</u>	b Dec. 11, 1784; married Dr. Marcus Palmer Aug. 1, 1823 d Sept. 6, 1825 at Granville, O. (q.v.)
<u>Gardner Johnson</u>	b Aug. 20, 1788 d Feb. 12, 1860, at Coventry (q.v.)



Ralph Johnson

b Feb. 9, 1781, at Colchester  
d Nov. 10, 1882, at Coventry (q.v.)

Theodore Johnson

b March 10, 1793  
d May 10, 1819, of consumption

William Johnson

b March 11, 1795  
d date unknown, probably somewhere in  
the south (q.v.)

Jerusha Johnson

b Oct. 14, 1798; married Dr. Marcus Palmer  
Feb. 7, 1837. Unmarried in 1827, when  
she conveyed land in Colchester, where  
she lived  
d date unknown



(Dear Johnson)

DENNIS JOHNSON 3, (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Dennis 3)

b June 17, 1779

d July 11, 1858

On Oct. 20, 1803 she married Jacob Cutler of Lisbon, Conn. (Jacob was born in 1770, (possibly 1785); died Oct. 14, 1842). The U. S. Census for 1810 gives the family of Jacob Cutler of Colchester as two sons and one daughter under ten years of age. Jacob was a heavy drinker and his wife took in boarders to support the family.

Children born of Dennis and Jacob were:

Joseph Cutler married Adeline Wheeler, Nov. 11, 1818.

To Joseph and Adeline Cutler was born:

Samuel Cutler, who died Dec. 22, year uncertain.

Isabel Cutler b. in 1804; married Ruth Amanda Webster of Lisbon, Conn. June 9, 1836. Ruth was born March 23, 1817; died Nov. 25, 1890, buried at South Manchester, Conn. She was a daughter of Jacob and Ruth (Culver) Webster.

(Webster Genealogy pp 542 and 717)

Clarissa Cutler, married Joseph Wetherall of Manchester Jan. 2, 1836

Gordon Cutler born March 20, 1845

Louis (Louisa) Cutler married Francis Osborne of East Windsor, Conn. Nov. 27, 1845.

To Francis Osborne and Lois was born:

Adelaide (Addie) Osborne, a member of the D. A. R. through her descent from (Corporal) Joseph Johnson (Lincoln Book 62, page 259. No. 61747).



(Gurdon Johnson)

GURDON JOHNSON 2nd, (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Gurdon 3)

Aug. 21, 1788

Feb. 12, 1860, at Coventry

An injury on his head resulted in deafness and he was regarded as "queer." In later years he lived with his brother Ralph (q.v.) on the Coventry Farm, doing much of the farm work while worked at his trade as a carpenter. Ralph was drafted in the war with England in 1812 but Gurdon enlisted as a substitute in his place. He served as a private in Asa Copeland's company of the 2nd (Sanford's) regiment, Conn. State Troops. His service began Sept. 18, 1813, and terminated Nov. 3, of the same year. For his services he was given two land warrants. These came to his brother Ralph who gave them to his four sons, William Joseph, George and Albert. William and Albert purchased the interest of the other brothers and located the land about two and a half miles east of Fremont, Neb. These lands are still owned (1940) by the descendants of William and Albert. Gurdon was buried at Coventry.



(Ralph Johnson)

RALPH JOHNSON 2, (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3)

b Feb. 9, 1791 at Colchester, Conn.

d Nov. 10, 1888 at Coventry, N. Y.

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On Sept. 10, 1817 he married Elizabeth ( Betsy) Hunt, daughter of John and Charlotte Castle Hunt at Franklin, N. Y. She was a country school teacher. She was born Feb. 3, 1784; died at Coventry Feb. 11, 1871.

The death of Ralph's mother, Jerusha, Jan. 21, 1831, was under distressing circumstances. At the time the community was so terror stricken at the plague ( small pox) that no one would go near the house. Neighbors would bring food and supplies nearby and shout for some one to come and get them. The panic was so great that an unfounded rumor became current that a reputable physician (Dr. Purple) had spread the disease in order to enhance his medical practice. On the night of his mother's death, Ralph made a coffin, took the body of his mother in a wheelbarrow and buried her a few hundred yards northwest of the house. The exact location of the grave has been lost.

Ralph was a carpenter and a coast-wise sailor by trade, engaged in rafting cordwood down the Connecticut river to New York city. At Hartford Ralph won a watch by swimming the river holding it out of the water with one hand while he swam with the other. This was said to have been the first watch ever brought to Hartford. In his young



named Ralph "went west," walking all the way to Otego, where his eldest son was born. With his bride, Ralph journeyed to Greeno, N. Y. with a very small cash capital. Different stories have been told of its amount. One credits Ralph with 25¢ and Bessy with 50¢; another tells that he had \$1.75 which he spent for tobacco, and that she had \$8.00, with which she bought two geese. But Ralph had about \$600. which he had left with his brother William for safe keeping. With these resources he contracted with a French land company for the purchase of 80 acres of land in the adjoining town of Coventry. He walked all the way back to Connecticut to get the money that he had left with his brother. But the brother had squandered the money in wine & liquor. All that Ralph salvaged from the affair was one breakfast. Crestfallen, Ralph walked all the way back and reported to Col. Joseph Julland, the land agent, of the disaster and that he could not complete the purchase. Thereupon Col. Julland gave Ralph a barrel of pork and told him to take the land anyhow and pay for it when he could. This he did and on this homestead all of his children were born except William, the eldest.

Ralph was drafted in the war of 1812 but Gurdon took his place. Gurdon, however, served only two weeks, for the war was shortlived. Gurdon never left the county but received for his services a land warrant which he gave to his nephews who later located the land near Fremont, Nebraska.

For much of his time Ralph worked at his trade as a carpenter while Gurdon and the sons worked the farm. Ralph subscribed \$55.



toward the construction of the Congregational Church at Coventry Corners and worked out the pledge at a dollar a day, the then current wages for carpenters.

He became deeply interested in religion, became a teacher in a Sunday School, and was accustomed to hold family worship. He was a man of powerful physique. It was a common thing for him to walk eight or ten miles a day to his work and return the same way. On his 80th birthday he walked over to the farm of his son William (q.v.) a distance of twelve miles. On his arrival he took his grandsons, William and Frank, down to the "old <sup>u</sup>spring hole" to teach the youngsters how to swim. He would teach them by throwing them into the water over their heads and laughing to see the lads scramble out as best they could. Though eighty years of age, he would put both hands on the top rail of the fence and jump through them without taking his hands off. In his eighty first year he was badly injured by a tree falling on him so that he was an invalid for the remainder of his lifetime.

The children born to Ralph and Betsy were:

<u>William Amasa Johnson</u>	b Aug. 18, 1819, at Otego (q.v.) d Jan. 9, 1903
<u>Joseph Castle Johnson</u>	b July 19, 1825, in Coventry (q.v.) d Aug. 25, 1898 in Coventry
<u>Walter Johnson</u>	d May 7, 1833, age 6 years
<u>Albert Johnson</u>	b March 17, 1835 in Coventry (q.v.) d Oct. 29, 1909 at Fremont, Nebr. (q.v.)
<u>Clarissa P. Johnson</u>	b Aug. 9, 1829 at Coventry (q.v.) d Aug. 20, 1855 at Milford, N. Y.
<u>George Johnson</u>	b 1821 at Coventry (q.v.) d 1889 at Greene



## (Clarissa Johnson Palmer)

CLARISSA JOHNSON 3 (Najah 1, Joseph 2, Clarissa 3) Daughter of Sarah First.

b Dec. 11, 1784, at Colchester

d Sept. 3, 1825, at Granville, Ohio, on a journey east. Buried at  
Granville.

She took great interest in missionary work among the Indians and was  
given charge of the Union Mission in Ark. There she met and mar-  
ried the Rev. Dr. Hiram Palmer Palmer, another missionary, on  
Aug. 1, 1825. (See Farkisha Johnson)



(William Johnson, the Sailor)

WILLIAM JOHNSON the sailor 3 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, William 3) Brother  
of Ralph

B March 11, 1795, at Colchester

He was married to Mary Schofield Holt of Lisbon, Conn, at Bristol,  
Conn. on July 10, 1821. She was born Feb. 27, 1797; died at Bristol  
in 1857. Mary was a daughter of Vine and Susannah Holt (Bristol  
Congregational Church records, published in 1852). Susannah joined  
this church Aug. 19, 1821. William was living in Bristol in 1825  
when he conveyed land in Colchester. His name does not appear on  
the land records of Bristol. Of this marriage of William and Mary  
a daughter Mary was born who married ??? Marsh. William was a hard  
drinker and squandered \$500 belonging to his brother Ralph (q.v.).

In Sept. 1832 William embarked on a whaling ship, Maria of  
Nantucket, Alexander Macy, Master, owned by Seth and Charles Mitchell  
and Co., bound for an extensive voyage to the Pacific Ocean. He  
kept a diary or log-book of the voyage which continued until March  
18, 1836. This log-book is being preserved by William Eugene Johnson.  
It was given by William to his brother Ralph who gave it to William  
Eugene before his (Ralph's) death. In this entry for Dec. 31, 1834,  
written off the west coast of Mexico, he records:

"During the last twelve months we have been very successful,  
even beyond our expectations, in the pursuit of whales.  
Thirty Leviathans have been taken which produced 3500 brls.  
of oil. This being added to what we took the year previous  
makes a sum of 1550 brls."



This logbook which consists of 534 closely written pages, foolscap size, is rich in narratives of rough events that usually take place on extended whaling voyages. This voyage was terminated March 18, 1836. In his last entry William records, "I will now close this journal by breathing a curse on the name of Alexander Macy and one or two of his officers, hoping that it may be my fortune to be with them once more."

On April 6, 1836, he "shipped on board the sloop, Union, Capt. Potter of Nantucket, for fourteen dollars per month, bound to Baltimore. God speed the voyage, Amen." On June 20, 1837 we find William in New Orleans. He records that he "took passage on board the sch. Charles, Captain Weems, for Galveston, having become disgusted with lounging about doing nothing, and preferring to enlist in the Texas Navy and assist in the glorious cause of liberty for which she is so nobly struggling." While discoursing about "liberty" he has the following remarks to make about slavery:

"On some plantations we saw 30 and 40 houses for negroes, built very neat and laid out in regular order, presenting the appearance of small villages and from the neatness of some of them I should think owners took more interest in the comfort and welfare of his negroes than he did about his own. The slaves here I think are really in an enviable condition; for what more can a sensible man wish for than a delightful home, and some one to supply every want, in sickness or health and at the same time, be entirely exempt from care. Compare this situation with that of the unhappy negroes at the north and what a vast difference is perceptible. There they dirty, ragged, without food, clothing or home, addicted to the grossest vices, continually rioting in the streets, disturbing the peace of good citizens, filling the goals and prisons with criminals and finally affording almost constant employment for the hangman," etc.

The diary closes with June 24, four days after sailing from Galveston. He is believed to have died somewhere in the south.



(Jerusha Johnson)

JERUSHA JOHNSON 3 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Jerusha 3)

b Oct. 14, 1798 probably at Colechester

She was engaged in missionary work among the Indians at Union Station, Ark. and also at Fairfield Station among the Osages, now in southern Kansas and in Oklahoma. Her sister Clarissa (q.v.) preceded her in the same work and, on returning east, died on the way. In the meantime, Clarissa married a fellow missionary, Dr. Marcus Palmer. Sometime after the death of Clarissa, Jerusha married Dr. Palmer (q.v.) (Feb. 7, 1837) and assisted him in his work. Because of growing blindness, Palmer moved to Fitchville, Ohio, where he engaged in preaching and operating a station on the famous "Underground Railway," assisting negro slaves in escaping to Canada. Jerusha died ????

Of this marriage was born:

Delia Palmer b in a houseboat on the Arkansas River. Eventually the family moved to Milan, Ohio where Delia became principal and proprietor of the Western Reserve Normal School which she conducted for many years. At different times three of the New York Johnsons (Charles A., Bessie Algerose, and William E.) attended this school.

While living at Fitchville after slavery had been abolished, the family rescued a negro boy, who had as a "mascot" followed Union soldiers going north. They educated the boy who later became a teacher in the school. He lived in the family



so did William H. H. was the first negro that William ever saw and was his first teacher in Latin and Algebra. They became chums. Because of this intimate companionship such a thing as "color line" had no chance to materialize. In later years Henry <sup>W. Wynder</sup> <sup>A</sup> went to Louisville where he operated a music school for negroes. There he died from tuberculosis.

Marcus Palmer was born in Greenwich, Fairfield County, Conn. April 24, 1795, the seventh of a family of fourteen; died at Milan, Ohio, Feb. 21, 1831. For him a memorial service was conducted by the Rev. J. H. Walter, for fifty years pastor of the Milan church. Interment was at Fitchville. He joined the Congregational church at the age of 19, studied medicine with his brother and graduated in medicine in New York City. In 1820, after his graduation, he was accepted as a missionary by the United Foreign Missionary Society upon the recommendation of Dr. Gardiner Spring of the Brick Presbyterian Church, N. Y. City, as one "suitable as missionary to the Indians." He left New York for Philadelphia on one of the first steamboats ever constructed and, with eight others, crossed the mountains to Pittsburgh with a wagon train. He journeyed down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers to the mouth of the Arkansas and up that river to Little Rock by Poling and bushwhacking. Thence he arrived at the Union Station where his missionary work began. There and at Fairfield Station, he worked with Clarissa, first as assistant and later as his wife. Sometime after Clarissa's death, he married her sister Josephine (p. 71).

*Clarissa and Josephine both went out as missionaries from Norwich Conn. Clarissa went in 1820. Josephine went in 1833*



## (Elisha the tramp)

ELISHA JOHNSON 2nd 3, (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Elisha 2nd 3)

b. Dec. 6, 1780 in Colchester.

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On Sept. 1, 1804 he married Lydia Griffin of Saybrook, Conn. daughter of Israel (2nd) and Lydia ???, Lydia was born at East Haddam Aug. 15, 1782. They lived at East Haddam at the "Landing." On March 5, 1810 Elisha Johnson and Solomon Scoville were appointed executors of the estate of Joseph Johnson, late of Colchester. On Feb. 14, 1814 Elisha mortgaged his property "at the Landing" to his mother, Sarah Johnson. He was living at East Haddam on Sept. 26, 1826, when he conveyed his land at Colchester (Colchester Land Records). He was an inventor of clocks and had a considerable manufacturing establishment at Litchfield where he had moved. He sold clocks throughout New England and also in the South. Eventually he took to drink and became practically a tramp.

Children of Elisha and Lydia were:

<u>Harriet L. Johnson</u>	b in 1809. d Aug. 9, 1825, age 16 years. (M. E. Register)
<u>Joseph Johnson</u>	Lived in New Orleans
<u>Uriah Johnson</u>	Came to Conn. to find Ralph. Died in Boston.
<u>Edward Johnson</u>	Died in the south
<u>Maria Johnson</u>	
<u>Emily Johnson</u>	Daughter of Elisha 2nd. Her second husband was Levens.
<u>William Johnson</u>	



(Joseph Johnson)

JOSEPH JOHNSON 2nd 4 (Elisha 1, Joseph, 2, Elisha 2nd, 3, Joseph 2nd, 4,) Son of Elisha 2nd (q.v.)

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He lived in the south where he prospered before the Civil War. He owned a drug store, a line of steamers on the Mississippi River and had a large number of slaves. He was financially ruined by the war. His steamers were sunk and his slaves set free. He had a daughter who conducted a school at New Orleans. General Benjamin F. Butler, then in command of Federal troops, closed her school because of her alleged seditious talk. After the war "Uncle Joe" came north and made his home with relatives in New York City. His troubles somewhat affected his mind. When traveling he always had a slip of paper sewed into his hat asking that if anything happened to him, that his folks be notified at an address given. During the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia (1876) "Uncle Joe" accompanied by William Arnes and Albert Johnson visited the affair and narrowly escaped death in a railway accident. He often spent his summers visiting relatives in Chenango County, N. Y. He died in the south.



(Aranda Griffin Converse)

AMANDA GRIFFIN JOHNSON 4 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Elisha 2nd, 3,  
Aranda 4) Eldest daughter of Elisha 2nd. (q.v.)

b July 16, 1808

d Aug. 14, 1879; buried in the family plot in Brooklyn

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On Aug. 1, 1824 she married Nathaniel Battelle at East Haddam, Conn.  
(E. Haddam Vital Records) and moved to Montgomery, Ala. where Nath-  
aniel died in 1830.

On May 14, 1840 she married (2nd) William P. Converse at New  
Orleans. William was born at East Lynne, N. H. July 23, 1804.  
Died in N. Y. City in 1873 (The Converse Family by Charles Allen  
Converse).

Children born of this marriage were:

<u>Julius Pearl Converse</u>	b Nov. 29, 1842, in New Orleans
<u>Emily Converse</u>	b Jan. 30, 1845, in New Orleans
<u>Orin Converse</u>	b Feb. 17, 1841 or '41 New Orleans

On Jan. 27, 1829, William married his first wife, Sarah  
Paradise West. In 1835 he moved to Mobile. For some years he  
acted as U. S. agent for the Cherokee and Choctaw Indians, learn-  
ing the language of these tribes. He became wealthy and made  
large contributions to the Republic of Texas. In 1839 he went to  
New Orleans where he engaged in the commission business as Con-  
verse and Given, later changed to Converse & Co. having as his  
partners his brother Thomas H. Converse and his son William P.  
Converse Jr. The firm became the leading wholesale grocers in  
the southwest, dabbling in the promotion of railways.



In 1854 he retired and went to live at New Haven, Conn. but didn't stay "retired." He engaged in the commission and banking business under the name W. P. Converse, Tyler & Co. Associated with him were his sons Edward W. Converse (1860-73) Julius P. Converse (1865-73) and later Jesse H. Tyler who had married his daughter Maria Louise Converse. From 1870 to his death March 19, 1875 he was eastern representative of the Baldwin Locomotive Works. He was an ardent sympathizer of the Confederate cause. By order of William H. Seward he was arrested as a "prisoner of state" and with other distinguished men, was confined in Fort Lafayette, in the New York harbor, but was released ten days later by order of President Lincoln. He was buried in the family plot, corner of 7th and Sasafraz Ave. Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn.

AMANDA (Battelle-Johnson) CONVERSE was a devout Christian worker. She saw the first steamboat on the Connecticut river and called it "The Devil Walking on Water." Her first husband, Nathaniel Battelle, was born at Malden, Mass. They made their honeymoon trip to Montgomery, Ala. in a wagon, taking two months for the journey. After the death of her husband, Nathaniel, she lived in Mobile until 1840, when she went to New Orleans here she met and married William P. Converse. She died Aug. 14, 1879, and was buried in the family plot in Brooklyn. The children born of William P. Converse and his first wife, Sarah Paradise West, were:

William P. Converse

b Nov. 19, 1829, at Montgomery  
d March 16, 1839



William Porter Converse Jr. b June 18, 1831, at Montgomery  
 d June 16, 1881, at Springfield,  
 Illinois. Married Lorraine Fitch Folger  
Henry Montgomery Converse b Feb. 15, 1833, at Montgomery  
 d June 5, 1869, at Bergen, N. J.  
 Married Mary Adelle Hunsden  
Charles Leveas Converse b Jan. 6, 1835, at Montgomery  
 d Jan. 9, 1853, at Amherst, while  
 a student at Amherst College  
George Forest Converse b Jan. 13, 1837, at Mobile  
 d Dec. 14, 1839, in New Orleans  
Edward West Converse b July 20, 1838, at Mobile  
 d Feb. 4, 1866, at Oak Grove  
 Plantation, West Feliciana Parish, La. Married Mrs. Mary  
 (Russell) Converse (widow).

Julius Pearl Converse was a son of William Porter Converse  
 by his second wife. He was educated in the Military Institute at  
 New Haven but a physical defect prevented his engaging in a mili-  
 tary career. Accordingly he engaged with his father in the com-  
 mercial firm of W. P. Converse & Co. He made and lost a fortune.  
 Then he moved to Madway, Mass. where he amused himself in local  
 politics and held various local offices. He never married.

Otis Converse had seven children, Josiah Quincy, Ephraim,  
 Thomas, Phoebe, Clarissa, Henry, and Albert. Albert had two sons,  
 Frank Masby and Albert Jr. The latter, a nephew of William P.  
 Converse, was born at Arcola, La. on May 9, 1862. He was left an  
 orphan at the age of seven years and was placed under the guardianship  
 of his uncle, William P. Converse. In 1872 - 73 he attended the  
 public schools in New York City. In 1874 he attended the high school  
 at Burlington, Vt. residing in the family of the Rev. John Hendrick  
 Converse. Then for two years he was in the boarding school of  
 Smith T. Shortledge at Media, Pa. He was employed for a year in



the brokerage office of William P. Utley at 31 Pine St. N. Y. In 1890 he went to Texas, joining his brother Frank Musby Converse. He engaged in scouting, surveying, cattle dealing and fighting Indians. For two years he was a cattle inspector. From April 1893 he was employed as foreman for the Cimarron Cattle Co. in New Mexico. Later he taught school at Hobettie, Texas. There (Nov. 25, 1897) he married Mamie Orilla Turnscottie in 1900. They had one child, Larry Converse, who was born on his ranche ten miles east of Hobettie, Oct. 5, 1898. He was living in Hobettie in 1900. In his school days, before leaving for Texas, he was accustomed to spend his summer vacations with relatives in Chenango County, New York.



## (William Amasa Johnson)

WILLIAM AMASA JOHNSON 4 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William 4)

Eldest son of Ralph (He never used the middle name of "Amasa").

b Aug. 18, 1819, at Otego

d Jan. 9, 1903, at Smithville Flats, N. Y.

On Jan. 9, 1855 he married Elizabeth Hannah Stiles at Coventry.

She was born April 17, 1837 (Frank's birthday); died at Smithville

Flats, March 28, 1919. She was a daughter of Ludolphus Stiles

(q.v.) who was born at Greenfield, Mass. May 2, 1795.

Children born of this marriage were:

Bessie Algerone Johnson Booth  
(q.v.)

b March 27, <sup>1856</sup>~~1855~~, at Coventry  
d June 19, 1933, at Roxbury, Conn.

William Purser Johnson  
(q.v.)

b March 25, 1862, at Coventry

Frank Ralph Johnson  
ville (q.v.)

b April 17, 1865, at Smith-  
d May 31, 1891, at Fremont, Meor.

William Hannah Johnson Purdy  
ville (q.v.)  
N.Y. (q.v.)

b Aug. 28, 1866, at Smith-  
d March 31, 1929, at Greene.

Clara Maria Johnson Skillman  
ville (q.v.)

b July 23, 1868, at Smith-

Albert Ray Johnson  
ville

b Sept. 4, 1871, at Smith-  
d Aug. 26, 1872, of cholera

infantum

Albert Ray Johnson 2nd  
ville.

b May 15, 1875, at Smith-

William Amasa Johnson was a carpenter, working much with his father Ralph around Greene, Coventry, and Colesville. His uncle, Gordon, received two Land warrants for his services in the second war (1812) with England. One of these warrants was given to William. In March 18, 1857 he left for the west for the purpose of taking up some land. A week later his brother George Johnson, wrote the following letter to his brother Joseph, giving some news as to the



departure. The original letter is in the possession of William E. Johnson.

"Greene, March 27th, <sup>1857</sup>~~1856~~

"Dear Brother and Friends,

"I take this time to write you and let you know that we are all well as common. We have not heard from you since William and Albert was there. They thought you would be down the new week. Uncle Gordon's health is first rate for him. He has not had any poor spells yet this winter. Father's girl has left and William's wife has gone there to live, and he has gone to Kansas and then he is going to Iowa if that country don't suit him. He started last Monday. His foot had got so he could go without a cane. Albert has hired the farm of him for a year. We have been talking of going up to your place all winter but we have not got started yet and there is no chance this spring, but we shall as soon as we can.

I have a little pile on my leg and now have got one on my arm and that seems to be one of the way. Tell Francis that Uncle William made him a coat before he went away. We want to hear from all and let us know whether you are going to let your place or work it. So keep it close and have had one pair of them selves. You may have heard that Hopsy's sister Marub hung herself last Friday and was buried today. The cause of her doing so is unknown. You must write as soon as you get this letter and I will write as soon as I hear from William. You must come down as soon as you can.

You will see below that Charlie has been writing to his cousin Francis as he said he would when we found him at it.

"Yours with respect.

"GEORGE JOHNSON"

At the bottom of this sheet are a lot of scrawls made by "Charlie." The reference to William's lame foot is explained. Shortly before leaving for the west, he fell from a barn, breaking the bones of one of his feet which caused lameness for some years. On this expedition to the west William was accompanied by Ezra Conant. The two worked together in partnership in contracting in Nebraska after their arrival. The following is the first letter that George received from William after he left:



"Omaha City, Nebraska Territory,  
May 2, 1857.

Dear Brother,

"I left home March 15th by way of Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Alton, St. Louis, Jefferson City by rail and thence to Kansas by steamboat. We travelled a week in Kansas, stopped at Lawrence, Leecompton, Leavenworth, Kansas City. We like the country generally very well. Timber is scarce like most of the prairie country. Stone can be got out of the hills very easily. The emigration is very great there this spring. It was poor accommodation at 2 dollars per day. We concluded to skip out and leave more room for the rest. We came up the river to Omaha. I have travelled one week in Iowa in the northwest part. I have an old acquaintance with me. We travelled where neighbors lived from 7 to 14 miles apart and from that none at all.

"Say, George, we went days without seeing a house and got lost; we had to lie out on the prairie all night. My partner was for taking the back track but I persuaded him to follow down a stream which led to the Missouri River. The next day we came to a Mormon settlement. We had a very good appetite and was sore tired. My foot was sore late. We returned to Omaha and are now at work here at three dollars per day, pay  $5\frac{1}{2}$  per week for board. I have hired the land to Albert and George. I think of staying here this summer. I have been gone 7 weeks next Monday. I have not heard from home yet. I expect to hear soon. I want to hear from you soon. Do not delay writing. It takes about two weeks to get mail from here. Direct to Omaha City, Nebraska Territory. My regards to your Mother and Elizabeth--all inquiring friends.

"From William Johnson."

On Sept. 15, William wrote again:

"My partner and myself have build a house at Saratoga, two miles from Omaha City for ourselves which we have rented for \$15 per month. The remainder of the time we have worked by the day at \$5 per day and board ourselves. Board costs here from \$5 to \$7 per week. We are now at work by the job, building a hotel ten miles west of Omaha City. The frame is up. It is 28 x 30. We are to have \$500 for doing the carpenter work. Albert is here at work for us--been here two weeks. We intend to preempt some land soon. We like the soil here. Water is good here as it is in New York state."

On March 23, 1858, William wrote again:

"Hard times is the order of the day here now. Money is scarce & worth from 4 to 6 percent a month. Carpenter wages from 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  a day and board ourselves. Produce is cheap, Flour four dollars per barrel. Corn 30 cents. Board 4 dollars per week.



Hard times has reduced property about one third and no sales at that. We have our house on land yet. The prospects are that we shall have to keep it a while. We think we shall stay here another summer if we can get employ. You want to see the west. Come out here and make us a visit and precept 160 acres of land. I think we will pay. If not, you are good for it."

On the same date Albert wrote:

"We are well at present and are making about the same as we were in New York state. Hard times has just reached here and we looked exceedingly anxious. George has sent his butter here. It is retelling slowly at thirty cents per pound but now we are in hopes that it will be a little higher but can't tell. It will depend on emigration and how much they bring up the river. When we wrote George to send his butter, it was worth from forty to fifty five cents in New York. But we have given up the idea of getting big figures and let us get out of it and not lose anything. We shall be glad of it."

The two brothers, William and Albert, remained in Ohio and Pennsylvania for nearly four years, accumulating considerable land most of which is still owned by their descendants. On his return from the west, William purchased a farm (1862) at Coleridge. Two years later, he sold this property and purchased the farm at Smithville where he made his home during his lifetime. He was active in the affairs of the Presbyterian Church at Smithville and was one of the trustees for many years.



(Joseph Castle Johnson)

JOSEPH CASTLE JOHNSON (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Joseph Castle 4  
Son of Ralph.

b July 19, 1825, in Coventry

d Aug. 25, 1898

Married Feb. 21, 1849 to Hepsy Stoddard, youngest daughter of Curtis  
and Hepsy Stoddard. She was born Nov. 30, 1826; died Jan. 7, 1915.  
Both Hepsy and Joseph Castle were buried at Coventry where both  
lived during their lifetimes. During the last ten years of his life  
Ralph (father) made his home with Joseph.

Curtis Stoddard was born at Watertown, Conn. July 14, 1786.

Married Hepsy Martin who was born at Watertown N. Y. Nov. 25, 1786.  
Died Sept. 11, 1834. In 1836 Curtis Stoddard moved to Little St.  
Joseph, Ohio.

Children born of Curtis and Hepsy Stoddard were:

Israel Stoddard b Feb. 15, 1803  
d Dec. 29, 1842

Married Lois Horton. Was judge in Williams Co. Ohio, in 1839.  
Lived in Little St. Joseph.

Samuel Augustus Stoddard b May 10, 1809. Married Sarah Beeche  
Oct. 1830. d Dec. 10, 1864

Curtis Stoddard b July 10, 1811

Married July 15, 1835 to Jane R. Boughty; lived at Starrucca,

William Ira Stoddard b Oct. 25, 1814

d July 2, 1857

John Stoddard b Dec. 22, 1820

d Aug. 26, 1857

Zerah Stoddard b Jan. 7, 1823

Released at Norwich, N. Y. Academy. taught school in Kentucky.  
In 1862 moved to Greenville Ark. where he resided until 1863.

Martin Stoddard b Oct. 24, 1834. Lived in Indiana

Henry Stoddard See supra.



(Clarissa P. Johnson)

CLARISSA P. JOHNSON 4, (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Clarissa P.4)

Daughter of Ralph

b Aug. 9, 1829 in Coventry

d Aug. 20, 1855 at Milford, N. Y.  
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On Aug. 20, 1850 she married George W. Williams of Otsego County, N. Y. They lived first at Laurens, N. Y. then at Milford, N. Y. George died Dec. 3, 1862. Prior to their marriage she joined the Baptist church at Coventry. After her removal to Laurens she was granted the following letter by the Coventry church:

"This is to certify that Clarissa Williams is a member of the Baptist church at Coventry in good standing. As such we commend her to the fellowship of any sister church of our faith and order and, when united with another church is dismissed from us.

"By order of the church at Coventry, Feb. 22, 1851  
"H. Gilmore, Clerk

This "H. Gilmore" was known as "Deacon Harvey Gilmore" and was the father of Eugene H. Gilmore who died at Omaha about 1882. He married Ora Johnson, also of Omaha.

Born of this marriage of Clarissa P. and George were:

Granville B. Williams

b Feb. 20, 1854

d Aug. 12, 1854 at Laurens

Francis Johnson (Frank) Williams

b Aug. 3, 1851

d Feb. 6, 1931 (q.v.)



(George Johnson)

GEORGE JOHNSON 4 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, George 4)

b 1821 at Coventry

d 1889 at Greene

George Johnson married Polly Warner, who was born about 1821 at New Ohio, N. Y. She died at Greene in April 1894. He purchased a farm in the town of Greene in his early manhood and lived on it during his whole lifetime. The farm is still operated by his descendants.

One son was born to this union:

Charles A. Johnson b May 2, 1851 at Greene (d.v.)  
d Feb. 6, 1895

Charles with his father's family, are all buried in Sylvan Lane Cemetery at Greene, N. Y.



(Albert Johnson)

ALBERT JOHNSON 4 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Albert 4) Youngest son of Ralph (q.v.)

b March 17, 1835 at Coventry, N. Y.

d Oct. 29, 1909 at Fremont, Nebr.

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On Dec. 30, 1863, he married Adaline Van Ness at Greene. She was born July 2, 1843; died at Greene, Oct. 2, 1881. She was a daughter of Henry and Magdaline Ten Eyck (Upham) Van Ness of Greene. Albert married Harriet Moore, his second wife, at Johnstown, N. Y. Oct. 25, 1868. She was born Feb. 8, 1840; died at Fremont Aug. 31, 1908.

She was the daughter of Godfrey and Harriet Moore of New York.

Albert lived with his parents (Ralph) until he became of age, learning the carpenter's trade. In 1857 he went to Nebraska where, with his brother William, he engaged in carpentering and contracting.

The two brothers acquired considerable land, mostly lying a few miles east of Fremont. They preempted part of it and located the balance with land warrants given to their Uncle Gurdon for service in the War of 1812 (see Gurdon Johnson 2nd). These lands are, for the most part still (1940) in the possession of their descendants. Returning to New York, Albert engaged in farming with his father until 1877 when he went back to Fremont and developed his own land. He retired about twelve years before his death, taking up his residence in Fremont where he lived until his death. He was a well known worker in the Congregational church.



Children born to Albert and Adaline were:

<u>Henry Arthur Johnson</u>	b Nov. 25, 1866, at Greene (q.v.)
<u>Ralph Johnson</u>	b. Oct. 1, 1870, at Coventry
	d Oct. 1, 1933, at Broken Bow, Nebr. (q.v.)
<u>Magdeline Van Hoes Johnson</u>	b Dec. 19, 1872, at Coventry.
<u>Married James E. Seeley</u>	(q.v.)
<u>Robert Bruce Johnson</u>	b Aug. 18, 1875, at Coventry
	d Oct. 16, 1932, at Superior, Wis. (q.v.)
<u>Albert Eugene Johnson</u>	b April 13, 1878, at Fremont, Nebr.
	d about three months later.

No children were born to Albert and Harriet.



## (Adolphus Stiles)

ADOLPHUS STILES 3. Father of Elizabeth Hannah Stiles Johnson

b May 2, 1795 at Greenfield, Mass.

d March 13, 1842, of pleurisy, at Coventry.

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On May 1, 1830 he married Mrs. Hannah (Packard) Gilmore, a painter, residing at Coventry. Hannah died of old age, at Smithville, Oct. 3, 1882.

Children born of this marriage were:

Emily Stiles married Henry Chauncey Hoyt. They lived at Bath, N. Y. They had one daughter Lottie, whose married name was Alden. A son and a daughter were born to the Aldens.

Laurin Packard Stiles b July 1832. Married Mary A. Crandall

Jane Ann Stiles b Nov. 27, 1835. Married Jared Yale Jan. 1862. They lived for a time in Iowa, then at Guilford, N. Y. and later at Angelica, Allegany county (1886). No children were born of this marriage.

Mercy D. Stiles b April 6, 1830. Married John S. Miller

Laura Maria Stiles b Feb. 19, 1840

d Oct. 21, 1924

Married Jonathan Kelley

Elizabeth Hannah Stiles b April 17, 1837, at Coventry

d March 28, 1919

Married William Amasa Johnson (q.v.) at Coventry on Jan. 3, 1856.



(Mercy D. Stiles)

MERCY D. STILES ( Miller) 3, daughter of Ludolphus

b April 6, 1830

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On May 16, 1850 she married John S. Miller of Colesville, N. Y., a carpenter. Miller was born Jan. 26, 1821; died March 13, 1873.

Born of this marriage were:

Ella E. Miller b March 6, 1851  
d April 13, 1872

Ida Jane Miller b July 27, 1855

Married on July 5, 1876 to Charles I. Cooper, a dealer in produce. Charles was born June 9, 1853. Born of this marriage were:

John Guy Cooper b May 20, 1878

Burr Cooper b Nov. 7, 1880

Clara Maria Miller b Nov. 2, 1861

Married Reuben Weymouth Jan. 8, 1882. He was a farmer. To them was born:

Pearl Weymouth b May 2, 1885



(Descendants of Judson Hunt)

JUDSON HUNT, son of Judson Hunt; married Charlotte Castle at Franklin, N. Y. Died at Roxbury Oct. 14, 1810, age 46 years.

CHILDREN

Elizabeth (Betsy) married Ralph Johnson (q.v.) on Sept. 20, 1818. She died at Coventry Feb. 11, 1872.

THOMAS HUNT

GEORGE HUNT, married Sally Fairchild

CHILDREN

Jane, married Charles Chalker

Huldah, married John Webb

Harriet

EUNICE HUNT, born April 20, 1796; married John Abiathier Squier at Roxbury, March 3, 1817. She died Nov. 27, 1885, age 89 years and seven months. John Abiathier Squier was born Jan. 5, 1794; died Oct. 8, 1881.

CHILDREN

Sally Saphrona b Jan. 15, 1818

Levi F. b March 6, 1820

Julia b April 5, 1822

Rachel b Sept. 20, 1824; mother of Walter Judson Booth

Mary b Jan. 14, 1826

John J. b June 17, 1829; married Elizabeth Crofut

Charles A. b June 2, 1831; killed in the battle of Horse-saw Mountain. After the war, his mother arranged for Edgar A. Alford to disinter the body which had been buried under a tree where the killing took place, Alford being present. Because of the hostility the body was disinterred at night and returned to Roxbury for burial.

POLLY HUNT, married Nathan S. Hurd of Roxbury. Died March 21, 1863, age 75, at Butternuts, Otsego Co., N. Y.

CHILDREN

Rowena

Mary

Harriet

David



ATANDA HUNT, married Samuel Cook

CHILDREN

Mary  
Esther  
Rowena  
Thankful  
Thomas

CHARLOTTE HUNT, married Andrew Cunningham.

CHILDREN

William  
Mary

MARY BETTA HUNT, married Josse Burrous

CHILDREN

<u>Charlotte</u> ,	married Richard Page
<u>Maryette</u>	married Fred Bingham
<u>Angelina</u>	married Reuben Lousbury
<u>Harriet</u>	married Henry Webb
<u>Judson</u>	



(Laura Maria Stiles)

LAURA MARIA STILES (Kelley)

b Feb. 19, 1840 at Coventry, N. Y.

d Oct. 21, 1924.

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On Oct. 12, 1868 she married Jonathan Kelley, son of Jacob Kelle formerly of Wirtenberg, Germany. In 1852 Jacob Kelle left Germany following the troubles growing out of the German Revolution of 1848. He Anglicized the spelling of his name so that Jacob Kelle became Jonathan Kelley. In the two following years he saved up sufficient money to send for his family. The family left their home for America in May, 1854 and embarked at Liverpool on a sailing ship arriving in New York on July 6. The family consisted of Jonathan, his mother and two sisters. They were outside of land for 37 days. Jacob met them in New York and took them to Deposit, N. Y. thence to Coventry. The lad, not knowing a word of English attended the district and select school. At the age of fourteen Johnathan entered the employ of G. D. Phillips & Son for a period of five years. For his first years work he was paid \$50.00 and for each additional year was given \$25.00. At the death of Phillips the business was carried on under the firm name of Phillips & Hoyt. At the death of H. A. Phillips, A. J. Hoyt conducted the business. In 1898 Frank, son of Jonathan, purchased Hoyt's interest and the firm became Kelley and Son. Later, father and son retired and went to live at Greene, N. Y. During the remainder of their lives. Jonathan died at Greene May 21, 1924, and Frank died Feb. 17, 1934.



One of the sisters married ??? Seeley. The other married

George Mangold. The mother died at Coventry.

Of the marriage of Janathan and Laura, these children were born:

Frank Adelbert Kelley      b June 8, 1870 at Coventry.  
d Feb. 17, 1954

For the most of his life he was engaged in merchandising in connection with his father at Coventry (Corners). He was active in Masonic circles, was secretary of Eastern Light Lodge at Greene for many years. He was also active in the work of the Congregational Church. On June 8, 1893, Frank married Addie Tift of Greene (Barnes). She was active in the work of the Congregational church and for many years was the church organist. No children were born of this marriage.

Bertha Eola Kelley      b March 27, 1873 at Coventry  
On Aug. 10, 1898 she married Frederick Bronson Porter. For many years Porter was active in the affairs of Chenango County, holding the office of Town Supervisor for several terms.

Two children were born of the marriage of Frederick and Bertha.

Clifford Porter      b Aug. 27, 1900  
On Aug. 10, 1922 he married Eolian Lindsey (b Aug. 29, 1900). To Clifford and Eolian two children were born:

Robert Lindsey Porter      b Mar 16, 1923  
Elian Joan Porter      b April 16, 1926

Laura Porter      b Nov. 30, 1877  
On June 29, 1929 she married E. S. Eccleston of Smithville Flats. He became a special agent of the Department of the Interior, stationed at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Later they established their home in Washington, D. C.



(Descendents of Milo Booth)

MILLO BOOTH, father of Walter Judson Booth

Born Oct. 12, 1819; died Nov. 4, 1888; married Rachel Huldah Spuler  
Nov. 26, 1843. Huldah was born Sept. 31, 1824; died Feb. 25, 1912

CHILDREN

John E. Booth born Sept. 27, 1844; died Aug. 4, 1954.  
Married May 1, 1868 to Catharine White  
Mary E. Booth, born March 31, 1846; died Oct. 8, 1907  
Charles E. Booth born Oct. 24, 1849; died July 31, 1899  
Eunice H. Booth born Jan. 19, 1852; died Jan. 2, 1929  
On Jan. 12, 1874 she married Thomas Gee  
Walter Judson Booth born Jan. 5, 1858; On Oct. 7, 1884 he mar-  
ried Bessie Algerose Johnson (q.v.). She  
died June 19, 1933.  
Ulysses Grant Booth born Jan. 9, 1864; died Dec. 31, 1900.  
On May 21, 1889 he married Anna Lake,  
born Sept. 9, 1867; died Nov. 4, 1920.

CHILDREN OF ULYSSES GRANT BOOTH

Jessie Mae Booth born Nov. 3, 1890; married to Warren G.  
Huniston Nov. 18, 1914  
Herbert Milo Booth born Jan. 29, 1891; married Nov. 25, 1918,  
to Mabel Maria Buckley  
Arthur Claude Booth born June 4, 1898; married Sept. 4, 1920  
to Beatrice E. Lindauer. Died June 26, 1931.  
Clarence Nelson Booth born Dec. 23, 1894; married June 19, 1922  
to Helen Adella Parker  
Rachel Elizabeth Booth born Aug. 24, 1898; married Feb. 17,  
1921 to Ernest E. Rette  
Harold Chester Booth born Jan. 1, 1900; married Sept. 17, 1921  
to Mabel Fairhurst

CHILDREN OF JOHN E. BOOTH

Willard Booth born April 5, 1869; died Nov. 1, 1900  
Grace Booth born March 1, 1874; died March 30, 1882  
Gratia Booth born March 25, 1889

CHILDREN OF EUNICE BOOTH GEE

Anna B. Gee born June 29, 1875; married Frank Monroe  
Charles D. Gee born Nov. 28, 1880; died Aug. 23, 1911  
Katherine M. Gee born Feb. 20, 1888  
Grace Elizabeth Gee born March 12, 1890; married Clifford M. G.  
Bessie M. Gee born Oct. 1894; died March 23, 1908



(Bessie Algerose Johnson)

BESSIE ALGEROSE JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William A. 4, Bessie 5)

b March 27, 1886; at Country, N. Y.

d June 19, 1938; at Roxbury, Conn.

She was educated in the common schools and at the Western Reserve Normal School at Milan, Ohio. On Oct. 7, 1884 she married Walter J. Booth of Roxbury, Conn. where they lived until her death.

Walter was a butcher and prospered at that craft until the great western meat packers put the local butchers out of business. Since then he has followed the craft of stone mason. Throughout their married life Bessie was active in the work of the Congregational church at Roxbury. She "made coffee for church functions for twenty-five years." Shortly before her death the parishioners gave a "surprise shower" in appreciation of her long years of church activities. Children born to Bessie and Walter were:

William Johnson Booth b March 6, 1886

d June 17, 1897 from tetanus

George Washington Booth b April 30, 1889

On Jan. 8, 1911 George married Margaret Augusta Olsen, daughter of Thorvald and Sofie (Amundsen) Olsen. Thorvald Olsen was born at Christiansburg (Oslo), Norway, Aug. 3, 1853. George and Margaret live at Roxbury.

One child was born to them:

George Washington Booth b Oct. 25, 1921



(William Eugene Johnson)

WILLIAM EUGENE JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, William Eugene 5)

b March 25, 1862, at Covenary

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When he was two years of age, the family moved to what became the family homestead near Smithville Flats. After the death of William Amasa the farm was sold but later was purchased by William Eugene where he made his home in the latter years of his life.

Three winters he taught school. Educated in the University of Nebraska, where he did odd jobs to pay his expenses.

On Dec. 25, 1884 he married Lillie May Trevitt at Lincoln, daughter of Constant and Susan Ann (Lee) Trevitt. For some years they lived at Lincoln, then at Kansas City, then at Laurel, Md., and then at Westerville, Ohio. There Lillie died April 21, 1927; she was buried at Laurel.

Children born of this marriage were:

Clarence Trevitt Johnson b Jan. 31, 1888, at Lincoln (q.v.)  
Clifford Lee Johnson b Dec. 31, 1889, at Lincoln (q.v.)

On June 16, 1928 William Eugene married (2nd) Mrs. May Bessie Stanley, the widow of Will H. Stanley who was murdered at Soboba, Cal. when serving as deputy to Chief Officer Johnson, engaged in the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians. Stanley was one of eight of Johnson's deputies murdered while engaged in that service.

Two children were born of the marriage of Will Stanley and May:



Arnold Archibald Stanley b June 29, 1899 at Lawrence, Kansas. Graduated at the University of Kansas (A. B.) Graduated at Columbia University, N.Y. (Master of Business Science). Traffic manager of Columbia Mills, N. Y. Married Sept. 21, 1935 to Mildred Pattison at Yonkers, N. Y. To this marriage one son was born:

Peter William Stanley b Feb. 17, 1940

Constance Eleanor Stanley b Aug. 19, 1903, at Soboba, Cal. Graduated at the University of Kansas, Smith College, Northampton, Mass. Smith College awarded her the degree of B. A. and Columbia gave her the degree of M. A. For two years she was at the head of the Spanish department of the University of Maryland. For two years she was head of the Spanish Department of Rockford College at Rockford, Ill, serving as professor. She studied for a year at the University of Madrid, Spain. On Sept. 30, 1930 she married Robert Clifford Nethercut of Rockford. To this marriage was born;

William Robert Nethercut b Jan. 11, 1936

For some years Mrs. Stanley was employed as teacher in the

U. S. Indian schools. Later she was in the Indian Office at Washington, D. C. in charge of 4-H Club work for Indian children throughout the United States.

William Eugene, during his lifetime was chiefly engaged in various anti-liquor activities, writing books, pamphlets and editing prohibition periodicals. From 1906 to 1912 he was special officer of the Indian bureau engaged in the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians, but was shortly promoted to Chief Special Officer of that service. In that service he secured the conviction of more than 4,400 offenders. He secured convictions in 97% of his cases that came to an issue. While in this service he began to be known as "Fangfoot" Johnson, because of his catlike policies in pursuing law-breakers in the Indian Territory.



He was an official delegate to the Fourteenth International Anti-Alcohol Congress at Milan, Italy, and to the same Congress held at Tartu, Estonia, in 1913. For about ten years he was director of the activities of the World League Against Alcoholism, in the European body of that organization with headquarters at London, England.

He made more than 200 lectures in India; organized the Prohibition League of that country, a federation of all the Indian dry organizations. He was the author of several books and numerous brochures. He was associate editor of the six volume Standard Encyclopedia of the Alcohol Problem. Member of the National Lodge (I.O.G.T.) England. Life member of the Knights of Pythias, 32nd degree Mason, E. T. He made three lecture trips around the world, lecturing and organizing, making more than 4,000 lectures in all. He has been honored many times by social and official occasions, including a luncheon party by Lady Astor, a dinner party by the viceroy of India (Lord Reading), a tea party by His Highness Prince Omar Toussoun, cousin of the late king of Egypt (Fauâ I), and an audience with the same king. He was twice the house guest of the Thakor Sahib of Limbâi and was the guest at a dinner given by Sir Anto Bertram, Lord Chief Justice of Ceylon. He was invited by King Amunallah of Afghanistan to be his guest at the Royal Palace at Kabul, and was on his way to Kabul when the Afghan government was overthrown and the king fled. He was succeeded by Nadir Khan, who was shortly murdered.

On his entry into Kandy, Ceylon, William was greeted by a procession headed by a herd of twelve elephants, fifty "devil dancers" and two hundred children scattering flowers.



(Frank Ralph Johnson)

FRANK RALPH JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, Frank 5)

b April 17, 1865, at Smithville. April 17 was his mother's birthday.  
d May 31, 1891, at Fremont; buried at Fremont

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He taught school for a couple of years. On July 22, 1886 he married, at McDonough, N. Y., Emma, daughter of Israel Cushman and Sarah Maria Davenport. Moving to Fremont, Nebr., Frank engaged in carpentering and milling work.

One child was born of this union:

Albert Murray Johnson b Nov. 1, 1889  
d Jan. 12, 1897; buried at Fremont

On Sept. 22, 1897 Emma married (2nd) George Ely, a prosperous grocer at Fremont. He closed out his business and moved to a farm east of Fremont. George died Sept. 3, 1923. No children were born of this marriage.

Two children were adopted by George and Emma:

George Earle Ely b Dec. 24, 1900; adopted June 5, 1901.  
On July 7, 1923 George Earle married Betty Mildred Campbell.  
Of this union three children were born:

George Earle Ely (2nd) b May 24, 1924  
Walter Howard Ely b Nov. 28, 1928  
Mary Ellen Ely b May 25, 1930

Helen Evangeline Ely b Sept. 27, 1905; adopted Nov. 12, 1905.  
d March 11, 1950

On Dec. 25, 1927 Helen married Virgil Allen McBurney.  
Of this marriage one child was born:

Clarissa Louise McBurney b March 10, 1930, the day before her mother's death.

On July 30, 1925 Emma married (3d) Harvey L. Moore. They lived on their farm east of Fremont (Garden City). Harvey died there July 6, 1939.



## (Lillian Hannah Johnson)

LILLIAN HANNAH JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, Lillian Hannah 5)

b Aug. 28, 1866 on the family homestead in Smithville



On Sept. 9, 1885 she married Prentice A. Purdy of German N. Y., whom she divorced some years later. For several years they lived at German. Later they moved to Smithville Flats, where Lillian conducted a millinery store and educated their children. She was very active in church and social affairs during her entire lifetime. Prentice died June 10, 1932 and was buried at McDonough.

Children born of this marriage were:

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Orlando Johnson Purdy b June, 1886, in German, N. Y.

On Feb. 14, 1913 Orlando married Blanche Lou Gardner, daughter of Charles Lewis and Emma Louise (Barnes) Gardner. They made their home at Bishop, Cal.

Of this marriage there was born:

Louise Purdy b July 21, 1913 at Needles, Cal.

Birdella Clare Purdy b March 6, 1919, in German

educated in the public schools and engaged in teaching for several years. On July 29, 1915 she married William Edmund Davis at Ithaca, N. Y. Davis was born at King's Ferry, N. Y. June 2, 1891. He died in Florida, May 5, 1938. He was educated at Cornell University, graduated with the class of 1905. He was a son of Floyd E. and Cora (Van Master) Davis. Floyd was born Oct. 22, 1863, and died at Auburn Jan. 20, 1932. Cora was born at Aurora, N. Y. Sept. 3, 1870. In 1915 William operated the home farm. In 1920-23 he acted as county agent for Cayuga County, N. Y. In 1920-25 he was field secretary of the N. Y. State Guernsey Breeders Association. From 1925 he was traveling salesman for Purina Mills (St. Louis), the Park and Pollard Co. (Boston), and the Dr. Hess and Clark Inc. (Ashland, Ohio). Retired because of ill health.



Of this marriage of Birdella and William were born:

Antoinette Davis b Aug. 30, 1917

William Johnson Davis b April 18, 1924

Ruth Algerose Purdy b Dec. 15, 1891, in German  
Engaged in teaching for some years. On June 27, she married  
William Theodore (Ted) Grams, an extension husbandman of the  
N. Y. State College of Agriculture (Cornell University). No  
children were born of the marriage, but one was adopted.  
They live at Ludlowville, N. Y.

Robert Orlando Grams adopted April 1928.

In Nov. 1, 1941, Antoinette Davis was  
married to John Stephens Zimmer. They  
live at 1707 Sevidden and ave.,  
Schenectady, N.Y.



(Clare Maria Johnson)

CLARE MARIA JOHNSON 5, (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, Clare 5) b July 23, 1868, at Smithville  
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Educated in the local schools. On Nov. 13, 1890 she married Frank Martin Skillman of Broken Bow, Nebr., formerly of Smithville. Frank was the son of Frederick Augustus and Eglantine (Waite) Skillman of Smithville. They made their home in Broken Bow, where for many years Frank engaged in the Real Estate business. Later he served the city in the capacity of City Clerk and Water Commissioner. For the fifty years of their residence there, they have taken an active part in all community enterprises, giving special devotion to the activities of the Presbyterian church.

Of this marriage one child was born:

Eglantine Clare Skillman b Aug. 16, 1892, at Broken Bow. She was educated in the public schools of Broken Bow and in Hastings College, where she was graduated with the degree of B. S. in 1916. On Aug. 16, 1916, she married Charles Henry Velte, of Hebron, Nebr. He was the son of Adam Frederick and Wilhelmina (Bauerhammer) Velte. Charles graduated from Hastings College in 1914 with the degree of B. A. In 1929 he received the M. A. degree from the University of Nebr. In the meantime he joined the air service of the U. S. army during the World War. He was thus occupied from Jan. 1918 to Jan. 1919. His service included ground school work of the University of California, Berkeley, and Primary Flying training at Rockwell Field, San Diego, Instructors Flying Course, Brooks Field, San Antonio, Texas. He received his Reserve Military Aviator's Certificate and, at San Antonio his Flying Instructor's Certificate. He served as flying instructor in Souther Field, at Americus, Ga.

After the war, he returned to his profession of teaching. From 1914 to 1916 he had been principal of the high school at Nelson, Nebr. From 1916-1918 he was Supt. of schools at Stuart, Nebr. In the spring



of 1912 he served as principal of the high school at Shelton, Neb. and in the same year he became superintendent of schools at Crete, Nebr., a position he still holds in 1940. He is a life member of the National Educational Association, Past President of the Nebraska Teachers Ass'n., District No. 1, and was for several years a member of the Board of Control of the Nebraska State High School Athletic Association, and later president of the same body. He is a Mason, and an active member of the First Congregational church of Crete.

Three children were born to Charles and Eglantine:

Clare Wilhelmina Velte b Sept. 6, 1917, at  
Broken Bow

Phyllis Velte b Oct. 22, 1916 at Broken Bow

Charles Skillman Velte b June 18, 1920 at  
Crete.



(Albert Ray Johnson)

ALBERT RAY JOHNSON (2nd) 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, Albert Ray 5)

b May 15, 1873, at Smithville.

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Educated in the public schools. On Oct. 9, 1895 he married Jennie Belle Walker, daughter of Austin Garret Walker and Bessie Hollenbeck (Dent) Walker. For some years he engaged in farming at Smithville and Triangle (N.Y.) Then he moved to Cortland, N.Y., where he was employed in various industries, there and at McGraw. He now lives at McGraw, N. Y. Jennie died at Cortland July 31, 1932. Children born of this marriage were:

Lillian Elizabeth Johnson b Aug. 22, 1896

On May 19, 1917, she married Walter Erving Pope, son of George Pope of Scranton, Pa. Walter was born Nov. 26, 1896. His mother was Mary Brewer Pope. They live at Binghamton where Walter is employed in an industrial plant. Of this union was born:

Barbara Jane Pope b May 12, 1923

Frank William Johnson b Aug. 22, 1897, the first anniversary of the birth of Lillian

Harry Walker Johnson b Aug. 5, 1908

On Dec. 17, 1932 he married at Cortland, Ruth Arlene Knickerbocker, daughter of William Knickerbocker of New Woodstock, N. Y. and of Alma Bush Knickerbocker of Irene, S. D. They live at Cortland where Harry is the proprietor of the Colonial Gas Milling Station.



(Francis Johnson (Frank) Williams)

FRANCIS JOHNSON (Frank) WILLIAMS 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3,  
Clarissa F. 4, Francis 5) Son of Clarissa F.

b Aug. 3, 1851

d. Feb. 6, 1931

On March 22, 1871 he married Lydia Matilda Bull, daughter of Stephen  
and Mary Ann Bull at Oneonta, N. Y. There they lived for some years  
until they moved to Exeter, N. Y. Later they moved to Richfield  
Springs, N. Y. where they lived for the remainder of their lives.  
Lydia died Jan. 6, 1931.

Children born to Francis and Lydia were:

Clarissa H. Williams b Feb. 28, 1872, at Oneonta  
d June 1, 1886, at Exeter

Mary Elizabeth Williams b Nov. 13, 1875, at Oneonta  
On March 10, 1897 Mary Elizabeth Williams married Clement  
Theodore Huyck (born Sept. 27, 1869) at Exeter.  
Mary and Clement had two children:

Clarissa Aline Huyck b Oct. 18, 1900.

On July 21, 1934 Clarissa married Henry Harris Heador  
of Miami, Florida, where they made their home.

Clement Lee Huyck b Feb. 13, 1904

On June 26, 1937 Clement Lee married Dorothy Whitcomb  
Reed of Richfield Springs. They live at Cincinnati,  
Ohio, where he is connected with the firm of William  
S. Merrell Drug Company.

Clement Lee and Dorothy have one daughter:

Mary Josephine Huyck b July 4, 1939.

*A second daughter Stella Aline Huyck  
was born Dec. 9, 1940*



(Charles A. Johnson)

CHARLES A. JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, George 4, Charles 5)  
b May 2, 1851 at Greene, N. Y.

d Feb. 6, 1895; buried at Sylvan Lawn Cemetery  
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On Sept. 18, 1877, he married Cora Wright of Greene. She was born  
at Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1859. For some years they lived on  
the homestead near Greene. In 1913 the family moved to Santa Barbara,  
California, where they made their home.

To this union of Charles and Cora, these children were born:

Florence Johnson b Aug. 22, 1880 at Greene.  
Graduated from the Paxton Hospital Training School at Utica,  
N. Y. in 1906. Was Superintendent of this hospital from  
1908 to 1916. Was engaged in nursing at San Bernardino,  
California 1916-17. Supt. of Cottage Hospital, Santa Bar-  
bara from 1917 to 1923. Since then Director of Nursing  
Visiting, Visiting Nurse Association at Santa Barbara.

Mabel Johnson b April 11, 1885 at Greene.  
Graduated from Syracuse University in 1905. Librarian of  
the public library at Montclair, N. J. 1905-7. Librarian  
of the City Library, (N. Y.) 1907-11. Secretary of the  
Electrical Vehicle Association 1910-14. Teacher in the  
Government Indian School at Paguate, N. M. and at Auberry,  
California. Worked in the public library at San Bernardino  
1916-17. On July 10, 1923 she married at Santa Barbara,  
Dr. John Rexwald Brown. They made their home at Eucalyptus  
Hill, Santa Barbara. There Dr. Brown's health failed and  
they lived there in retirement. Rexwald Brown was born at  
Joliet, Ill., May 6, 1878. Died June 21, 1940. Graduated  
from Northwestern University in 1903 (M.D.). For three  
years he practiced medicine in Chicago. Settled in Santa  
Barbara in 1906. Served in the World War as Captain, U. S.  
Medical Corps, Base Hospital 33, in England and France.  
Fellow of the American Medical Association, American Col-  
lege of Surgeons, Western Surgeons' Association, Pacific  
Coast Surgeon's Association, member of the Southern  
California Medical Association, and active in various state  
and local enterprises.



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George Johnson

b March 24, 1890 at Greene  
d Sept. 23, 1913 in an automobile accident.  
Grammar school Education

Howard Johnson

b Jan. 21, 1893 at Greene (q.v.)  
On Nov. 1, 1919 he married Frances Marie  
Keator at Sherburne, N. Y.



## (Henry Arthur Johnson)

HENRY ARTHUR JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Albert 4, Henry Arthur 5) b Nov. 23, 1868, at Green, N. Y.

Married at Broken Bow, Nebr. April 19, 1900, to Lizzie Elmore "Ella" Thome, daughter of David Elmore and Mary Elizabeth (Gatton) Thome. She was born at West Liberty, Iowa, Dec. 4, 1871. When a child of nine years Henry came with his parents to Fremont where they settled on his father's land. In 1890 he helped trail 10,000 sheep from Winnemucca, Nevada, to Rawlins, Wyoming, traveling over the Oregon Trail. In 1892 he went to England with his father's cattle, returning from Liverpool on "The City of Paris", when it made its fastest trip. He went to Broken Bow in 1896, bought a farm, starting business in a sod house. There he resided until 1907 when he moved to Broken Bow, and engaged in the live-stock business. He served on the Broken Bow City Council for ten years. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

The children born of this marriage were:

Henrietta Johnson b May 10, 1901, at Broken Bow.

Educated at the University of Nebraska. Taught school in Broken Bow. In 1933 she was made Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star. She is a member of the D. A. R. and of the M. E. church.

Clara Belle Johnson b Dec. 25, 1902, at Broken Bow.

Graduated from the University of Nebraska with the class of 1927. She engaged in teaching for some years and then became librarian of the Carnegie Library at Broken Bow. Received the degree B. S. in the L. S. School of Librarianship, University of Denver, 1937. From this she was attached to the Nebraska State Library Commission, and later became State Supervisor of Library Projects, W. P. A. She is a member of the Eastern Star, D. A. R. and of the M. E. church.

Elmore Thome Johnson b Jan. 4, 1905, at Broken Bow. (q.v.)  
On Feb. 14, 1930, he married Joan Alverna Clanoy, daughter



of Albert D. Jr. and Elsie (Hamilton) Clancy of Milburn, Nebr.

Two children were born of this marriage:

William Albert Johnson b July 23, 1932

Howard Thome Johnson b Sept. 13, 1934

Verna Elizabeth Johnson b Jan. 26, 1910 at Broken Bow

Graduated from the Nurses Training School of the Bishop Clarkson Memorial Hospital of Omaha. She is a member of the Eastern Star, D. A. R. and of the M. E. church.



(Ralph Johnson 2nd)

RALPH JOHNSON 2nd 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Albert 4, Ralph 2nd 5) Grandson of Ralph 1.

b Oct. 1, 1870 at Coventry N. Y.

d Oct. 1, 1933 at Broken Bow, Nebraska

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Lived at Fremont in his younger days. Married at Cedar Rapids, Iowa April 30, 1896 to Jane Burnside Lansing of Greene, N. Y. She was the daughter of James and Clarissa (Walker) Lansing of Greene. Ralph was educated in the Fremont public schools and the Fremont Normal. In 1877 he moved with his father to their farm two miles east of Fremont. Three years later, because of the mother's ill health, the family went with her to Greene for medical treatment. On Oct. 2, 1881 Ralph's mother died, and for a time he lived with one of his father's brother, George, at Greene, N. Y. In 1883 his father married Harriet Moore of Johnstown, N. Y. and Ralph returned to Nebraska.

In 1891 Ralph went to Liverpool, England with a shipment of cattle. On his return he remained at Cortland and Greene until 1893. It was at this period that he met his future wife, whom he married in 1896. He resided on his father's farm at Fremont, where two children were born, Adaline and Harriet. In March 1904 he moved near Broken Bow, Nebr. to live on the farm that he had purchased. In 1914, he moved to his home in Broken Bow, residing there until his death Oct. 1, 1933.

He was a member of the Grange and served a term as its Master. He was past-master of the Masonic Lodge at Broken Bow, and was



affiliated with the Eastern Star, in which lodge he was Worthy Patron. He joined in early manhood the First Congregational Church at Fremont, but later transferred his membership to the First Presbyterian Church at Broken Bow. He served as trustee of the church and twelve years as elder. For eighteen years he was treasurer of the Sunday School. At the time of his death he was mayor of Broken Bow, and prior to this he had been a member of the city council. He served eight years as supervisor of the Broken Bow district. For several years he was one of the directors of the Custer County Fair, a position he held at the time of his death. He was buried with Masonic honors.

Children born of this marriage were:

Adaline Maria Johnson b Jan. 28, 1898 at Fremont  
On June 18, 1922 she married the Rev. Vard V. Gray. Both were graduates of Hastings College. Gray served as pastor at Aurora, Ill., later in Oregon and then as pastor of the Corona Presbyterian church at Denver, Colo.  
To this marriage were born:

<u>Ralph and Vern Gray</u> (twins)	b Aug. 26, 1924, at Aurora, Ill.
<u>Vern</u>	d Sept. 7, 1928, at Broken Bow
<u>Genevieve Gray</u>	b June 28, 1928, at Broken Bow
<u>Margaret Marie Gray</u>	b May 16, 1932

Harriet Johnson b Oct. 21, 1900 at Fremont  
On Jan. 10, 1924 she married Ernest G (Dick) Stone, at Council Bluffs, Ia. He is a feeder of cattle at Comstock, Nebr.  
One child was born of this union:

<u>Richard Johnson Stone</u>	b Nov. 27, 1925
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(Robert Bruce Johnson)

ROBERT BRUCE JOHNSON 5, (Mijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Albert 4, Robert Bruce 5) b Aug. 18, 1875, at Coventry  
d Oct. 16, 1932, at Superior, Wis.

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On Sept. 20, 1904 he married Margaret Martin at Low Beach, Sullivan County, N. Y. She was born Dec. 26, 1823, and died at Superior June 6, 1931. Bruce was educated in the public schools at Fremont, and the Fremont Normal and Business College. As a young man he served as railway clerk on the Union Pacific, running from Council Bluffs, Ia. to Cheyenne, Wyo. Later he operated a farm south of Superior, and became active in local and state politics. For eleven years he served on the Douglas County Board as representative from the town of Superior. He was a director and vice-president of the Tri-State Fair Association. He represented the Second District of Douglas County in the Wisconsin State Legislature for one term, and in 1926 he was elected State Senator from the Eleventh Senatorial District, serving two two-year terms. A tract of land adjacent to the Johnson farm has since his death been dedicated by the state of Wisconsin as the "R. B. Johnson Park."

He was an active member of the Hammond Ave. Presbyterian church and of Superior Lodge No. 403 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Children born of his marriage to Margaret were:

Floyd Bruce Johnson b June 18, 1905, at Fremont  
Irma Margaret Johnson b Dec. 23, 1906, at Fremont

*Floyd married Myrtle (Feb. 16, 1941) Larson  
at Superior Wis*



On Feb. 16, 1929 Laura married Jerome Truman  
Ericsson

To them were born:

Jo Ann Ericsson b Oct. 4, 1929, at Milwaukee, Wis.

Bruce Truman Ericsson b Dec. 13, 1930 at Fon du  
Lac, Wis.

Mary Margaret Ericsson b Aug. 26, 1933, at Super-  
ior Wis. d Nov. 14, 1933.



(Magdaline Van Ness Johnson)

MAGDALINE VAN NESS JOHNSON 5 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Albert 4, Magdaline 5)

b Dec. 19, 1872, in Coventry, N. Y.

In the spring of 1877 the Albert Johnson family moved to a farm two and one half miles east of Fremont, Nebr., where they lived until the spring of 1897, when they moved to 249 West Tenth Street, Fremont. Magdaline was educated in the Fremont public schools and was graduated from Fremont Normal, now Midland College. She was married Feb. 17, 1905, to James Barger Seeley, at Fremont. He was born at Scribner Nebr., July 5, 1871. He received his college education at Valparaiso, Ind. "Jim" was connected with the Chicago and Northwestern R.R. for 18 years. In May 1910 the Seeleys moved to Portland, Oregon, where they lived a year, then moved to Grants Pass, Oregon, where they lived three years. In the spring of 1914 the family moved to Ringling, Montana, where they made their home until Jim's death April 11, 1937. He was buried in the Masonic section of the cemetery in White Sulphur Springs, Montana. For some years he was postmaster at Ringling, having a ranch near by.

One child was born of the marriage of Magdaline and Jim:

Albert Johnson Seeley b Oct. 24, 1908, at 249 West 16th St., Fremont, Nebr. Educated in the University of Montana at Missoula, and was engaged in surveying with the Bureau Public Roads for some years. Later he was employed on the Fort Peck (Montana) Irrigation project. On Sept. 8, 1934, in Glasgow, Montana, he married Beatrice C. Measure, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John H. Measure of Kaliapell, Montana. Of this marriage two children were born:

James Albert Seeley

b Oct. 23, 1935

Phyllis Elaine Seeley

b March 13, 1939



(Clarence Trevitt Johnson)

CLARENCE TREVITT JOHNSON 6 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, William Eugene 5, Clarence Trevitt 6)

b Jan. 31, 1888

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Attended public schools at Kansas City, Mo., New York City, and Washington, D. C. Graduated from the high school, Laurel, Md., academic course, 1906. Graduated from St. John's College, Annapolis, B. S. degree, 1909. Awarded honorary degree (B. S.) by the University of Maryland. Appointed a deputy special officer (U. S. Indian Service) to assist in the suppression of the Liquor Traffic Among Indians (1909). In 1910 he was promoted to a Special Officer in the same service. In 1916, he was appointed financial clerk in the Indian Service for the Mission Indians of Southern California. He resigned this post in April 1917 in order to enlist in the U. S. Army at the outbreak of the World War. He was assigned to First Officers Training Camp, (Presidio) as a candidate for a commission. His record as a military cadet in St. John's College counted in his favor. On Aug. 15, 1917, he was commissioned First Lieutenant of Infantry and assigned to the 19th Division at Camp Lewis, Washington. He was transferred to the 35th Division at Camp Doniphan, Oklahoma, and assigned to Co. H, 139th Infantry. Sailed for France with his regiment on April 10, 1918. With his regiment he participated in the operations in the Vosges, Saint Mihiel, and the Argonne. Discharged from the Army Oct. 31, 1919. In 1920 he was appointed Captain, U. S. Infantry Reserve and assigned to the 364th Infantry.



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In 1930, he was appointed Major, U. S. Infantry and assigned to the Regimental Staff, 364th Infantry as Plans and Training Officer. Engaged in the automobile business at Riverside, Cal, 1920-21 then at San Bernardino wholesaling motor and replacement parts covering four states. He served two terms as Mayor of San Bernardino, Cal. In 1934, was president of the San Bernardino-Riverside Counties Auto Trades Association. Was vice president of the San Bernardino Business Association. Past Commander (1928) and Director American Legion, San Bernardino. Director Chamber of Commerce, San Bernardino. Director United Veterans of the Republic, San Bernardino. Director Auto Trades Association of Southern California. Member of the Masonic order, Elks, member Rotary International and also Reserve Officers Association of the U. S. Army. On Nov. 16, 1912 he married Gladys Carolyn Brewer (b Dec. 7, 1895, at Gordonsville, Va.) daughter of Benjamin Vance Brewer and Bernice Payne Brewer of Baltimore.

Of this marriage one child was born:

Clarence Trevitt Johnson, Jr. b Dec. 10, 1920  
Graduated at the San Bernardino High School, 1938.



(Clifford Lee Johnson)

CLIFFORD LEE JOHNSON 6 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, William Eugene 5, Clifford Lee 6)

b Dec. 31, 1889; at Lincoln, Nebr.

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Attended public schools in New York City, Washington D. C. and Laurel, Md. Graduated from St. John's College (Annapolis) in 1911, earning the degree A. B. In the same year he was awarded the honorary degree A. B. by the University of Maryland. Taught the elementary school at Bladensburg, Md. Studied law in Georgetown University (Washington) two years and under Marion Duckett of Bladensburg (1912-1915) Admitted to practice before the Court of Appeals, Md. in 1915. Graduated from the National Law School, 1922, winning the degrees L. L. B. and L. L. M. Admitted to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, 1926.

Entering the World war, he was appointed to Second Officers Training Camp, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, 1917. Was commissioned Second Lieutenant, Infantry, O. R. C. On Aug. 24, 1918 he was promoted, commissioned First Lieutenant, Infantry U. S. A. On Oct. 23, 1918 he was honorably discharged from the army at Presidio, Cal. On March 15, 1920 he was appointed First Lieutnant Infantry, Officers Reserve Corps. In 1930 he was appointed Captain, U. S. Infantry Reserves.

From 1915 to 1917 he served as field secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of America, traveling continually over the United States. On June 17, 1920 he was appointed Claims Examiner, Veteran's



Administration, U. S. Government. In 1924 he was made a member of the Committee of Leavers and Forfeitures under the same administration.

On June 17, 1916 he married Violetta Lee Duckett, daughter of Marion Lee and Gabriella Augusta Duckett of Bladensburg, Md. Violetta died at Westerville, Ohio, Oct. 13, 1918.

Born of this union was:

Violetta Lee Johnson b Oct. 10, 1918, four days before the mother died.

On June 10, 1922, Clifford married Gabriella Augusta Duckett, sister of his first wife. Since then they have lived at Bladensburg.

Born of this latter marriage were:

<u>Margaret Louise Johnson</u>	b July 3, 1925: at Washington, D. C.
<u>Augusta DuVal Johnson</u>	b May 10, 1927: at Washington, D. C.
<u>Clifford Lee Johnson, Jr.</u>	b Oct. 5, 1933: at Washington, D. C.

Clifford has served as President of the Greater Bladensburg Citizen's Association. He is President of the Veteran's Administration Employee's Credit Union. He is past president of the Craftsmans Club, Veteran Administration. He is State Vice-President of the National League of Masonic Clubs. He is a member of the A. F. and A. M., American Legion 40 and 3, Federal Bar Association, Y. M. C. A., Bladensburg Historical Society and the Reserve Officers Association.

On Aug. 12, 1939 Violetta Lee Johnson was married to Francis Alan Parsons, at Bladensburg, Maryland.



(Harry Walker Johnson)

HARRY WALKER JOHNSON 6 (Amasa 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, William Amasa 4, Albert Ray 5, Harry Walker 6)

3 August 5, 1908

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On Dec. 17, 1932 he married at Cortland, Ruth Arlene Knickerbocker, daughter of William Knickerbocker of New Woodstock, N. Y. and of Alma Bush Knickerbocker of Irene, S. D. They live at Cortland where Harry is the proprietor of the Colonial Gas Filling Station.



(Elmore Thome Johnson)

ELMORE THOME JOHNSON 6 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, Albert 4, Henry 5, Thome 6) b Jan. 4, 1905, at Broken Bow.

On Feb. 14, 1930 he married Jean Alverna Claney. She was born at Starwood, Iowa, Oct. 7, 1910, daughter of Albert D. Jr., and Elsie (Hamilton) Claney of Milburn, Nebr., formerly of Mechanicsville, Iowa. With the class of 1927, Thome was graduated from the College of Agriculture of the University of Nebraska. He is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho and also of the Masonic Order. A farmer-fencer by profession, he operates the 2,000 acre ranch with his father, 12 miles northwest of Broken Bow. He and his wife are members of the Methodist church at Merna, Nebr.

Two sons were born of this marriage:

William Albert Johnson b July 23, 1932  
Howard Thome Johnson b Sept. 13, 1934



(Howard Johnson)

HOWARD JOHNSON 6 (Elijah 1, Joseph 2, Ralph 3, George 4, Charles 5,  
Howard 6)

b Jan. 27, 1893 at Greene

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Married Nov. 1, 1919, to Frances Marie Keator at Sherburne, N. Y.  
She was born Dec. 17, 1894, daughter of William Patterson Keator  
and Amy Crump Keator. William was born at Taylor, N. Y., August  
16, 1870 and died on his farm in McDonough, in 1933. Amy Crump  
Keator was born in Oxford, Jan. 23, 1872. She resides on the fam-  
ily farm at McDonough. Howard and Frances live on the homestead  
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